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The Hartford to consolidate workers

Hundreds to relocate from Windsor campus to Hartford headquarters later this year

By Kenneth R. Gosselin Hartford Courant

The Hartford Financial Services Group said Wednesday it will consolidate hundreds of employees from its Windsor campus to its downtown Hartford headquarters later this year and is exploring a potential sale of the complex it constructed for \$146 million.

The property-casualty insurance giant said it will relocate "fewer than 500 Windsor-based employees" to Hartford — many of whom have been working remotely since the onset of the pandemic and continue to do so. Those who split time between home and the office will report to Hartford, the insurer said.

Matthew Sturdevant, a spokesman for The Hartford, said the decision was part

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The Hartford Financial Services Group will consolidate employees at its Windsor campus to its Hartford headquarters later in 2022. Many of its employees have been working remotely since the onset ot the pandemic. HARTFORD COURANT FILE

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Yoga instructor Angelica Mangnal leads the Yoga In Our City lesson Wednesday at Bushnell Park in Hartford. Yoga In Our City, presented by ConnectiCare, recently announced the launch of its 10th season in parks across Connecticut. DOUGLAS HOOK/HARTFORD COURANT

Hartford celebrates 'Yoga In Our City'

By Douglas Hook | Hartford Courant

ith inflation on the rise, adding to financial burdens and the more than two years of pandemic-related challenges, Hartford residents gathered Wednesday in Bushnell Park to boost their physical and mental health with the Yoga In Our City initiative.

"We're thrilled to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Yoga In Our City in Connecticut parks," said Thomas Clynch, founder of Yoga In Our City. "Thanks to continued support from ConnectiCare, Yoga In Our City has developed and grown in many ways since its inception in 2012. Our partnership with the company allows us to offer this essential resource to all residents, regardless of their experience with the practice."

Health enthusiasts gathered at the park as part of the 10th season of the free yoga classes, which will be taking place in Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven, New London, Waterbury and Willimantic.

Yoga In Our City will offer over 600 free yoga classes and includes five bilingual classes per week at parks across Connecticut. The 2022 program will run until Oct. 9.

The project, Yoga In Our City, is funded by ConnectiCare, spokesperson Kasara Philippas told the Courant. More information on the program can be found at yogainourcity.com.

Fourth-grade girl details horror in Uvalde

Survivors of recent gun tragedies testify before House panel

By Farnoush Amiri and Kevin Freking **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON-An 11-year-old girl whosurvived the mass shooting at an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas, recounted in video testimony to Congress on Wednesday how she covered herself with a dead classmate's blood to avoid being shot and "just stayed quiet."

Miah Cerrillo, a fourth-grader at Robb Elementary School, told lawmakers in a pre-recorded video that she watched a teacher get shot in the head before looking for a place to hide.

"I thought he would come back so I covered myself with blood," Miah told the House panel. "I put it all over me and I just stayed quiet." She called 911 using the deceased teacher's phone and pleaded for

Nineteen children and two teachers died when an 18-year-old gunman opened fire with an AR-15-style rifle inside the school May 24.

In the video Wednesday, Miah's father, Miguel Cerrillo, asked his daughter if she feels safe at school anymore. She shook her head no. "Why?" he asks. "I don't want it to

happen again," she responds.

It was the second day lawmakers heard wrenching testimony on the nation's gun

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Election monitor raising unease

State conservatives wary of new false information officer

By Christopher Keating Hartford Courant

 ${\it HARTFORD-Nearly six years after}$ the hotly contested 2016 elections, Connecticut conservatives are highly concerned about the upcoming hiring of a new "misinformation" officer to monitor the internet and combat foreign and domestic interference in this fall's elec-

The specialist, a state employee who will be paid \$150,000 per year, will monitor social media for false information that often starts on obscure, lesser-known websites like 4-chan, 8-chan, and Reddit, but then gains a much wider audience after appearing on sites such as Twitter, Instagram, Tik-Tok and Facebook.

Republicans have blasted the Democratic idea, generating attention on talk radio and Newsmax, a national television outlet that is often described as more conservative than FOX News.

Greenwich fundraiser Leora Levy, a conservative who is running in the Aug. 9 primary for U.S. Senate, was the first prominent candidate to recently blast the idea, landing her an interview with anchor Greg Kelly on Newsmax.

"People should have the right and the ability to come to their own conclusions, based on the legitimate news that they read from legitimate news sources - not from the government," Levy said

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Wethersfield ordinance passed to stop panhandling

It's 'about safety, pure and simple,' mayor says

By Stephen Underwood Hartford Courant

WETHERSFIELD - Often stigmatized as a an annoyance to drivers and others, many area towns have sought to stop people from publicly asking for money but have been stymied by the argument that the stoplight pleas constitute speech protected under the First Amendment.

Wethersfield officials, however, working carefully with their town attorney, passed a series of ordinances this week that would crack down on panhandling as a public safety risk. The ordinances target pedestrians interfering with a flow of traffic, fraudulent solicitation and prohibited conduct. The ordinances passed 5-4 along party lines with all five Republicans voting in favor of the new restrictions.

Wethersfield is not the first to consider such measures. Enfield and South Windsor have already banned asking for money in this way at high traffic areas.

'This is about safety, pure and simple," Wethersfield Mayor Michael Rell said. "It's dangerous for motorists and those

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Stefanowski calls for additional tax cuts

Republican candidate Bob Stefanowski called for nearly \$1 billion in additional tax cuts, while Gov. Ned Lamont countered he is satisfied with \$600 million recently passed. Connecticut, Page 1

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on Newsmax. "To me, as someone who escaped Cuba and escaped communism, I feel I am living through an Orwellian or Ayn Rand Atlas Shrugged experience."

Levy was referring to the 1957 novel by Rand that argued that citizens need to remain independent minded in order for society to function properly and avoid coercion by the government.

"Joe Biden, Ned Lamont and Democrats have one mission here: silencing any dissenters under the guise of combating 'misinformation'," said state Republican chairman Ben Proto. "Their hyper-partisan plan is designed to further infringe on voters' First Amendment rights and is an attempt to control the political discussion, silencing those who disagree with them. Who determines what is 'misinformation' and how exactly will they silence the speaker? Who will determine who will be hired? Will this be an open application process or has a local Democrat in need of a job already been chosen?"

But Gabe Rosenberg, a spokesman for Secretary of the State Denise Merrill, countered that the new employee will be hired after the new fiscal year starts in July for a nonpartisan, civil service position that will be chosen by a four-member panel and would not be a handpicked Democratic appointee as argued by Republicans.

The employee's duties will be narrowly limited to election administration issues, and the state will not become an arbiter in determining which candidate is lying on a particular issue, Rosenberg said. The employee will be looking for false information on subjects like polling sites and times, rather than political policy issues, he said.

"The idea that you could call this a partisan hack is ridiculous," Rosenberg said in an interview. "It's a civil service position that has to follow all the rules of hiring that any other state employee-civil service position has to follow. Despite people making very cute turns of phrase about the meme content and such, it's only related to election administration - and finding and correcting inaccurate information about how voters can participate in the election.'

The plan to hire the misinformation officer has largely flown



Connecticut Secretary of the State Denise Merrill, the state's chief elections officer, favors hiring a misinformation officer who will closely watch online activity in the 2022 election campaign. Here, she announces the names of Democratic candidates who appeared on the state's presidential primary ballots in 2020. SUE HAIGH/AP

under the political radar screen. It was mentioned in Lamont's budget summary in February and included in the secretary of the state's budget. The state's fiscal plan was subjected to public hearings and committee deliberations for nearly three months, along with debates and votes by the state House of Representatives and Senate. Still, it gained scant attention until

House Republican leader Vincent Candelora of North Branford said he did not receive any comfort that the position will be in the civil service system, saying it belongs in nonpartisan offices like the State Elections Enforcement Commission or the state ethics office. The secretary of state's office is an elected, political office that has been led by Democrats for 58 of the past 62 years.

"It shouldn't lie in a partisan office," Candelora said in an inter-

With little fanfare, the state had already hired a similar officer at \$90 per hour for the 2020 election on a short-term, contract basis with federal funds. The new position will be permanent and funded by the state, along with \$2 million for a public information campaign that will reach voters statewide on multiple media platforms on absentee voting and other election issues.

In 2020, the officer caught several examples of misinformation, and social media companies removed them.

First, there was a tweet that said a truck delivering Connecticut ballots had dumped the ballots on Interstate 95 and that the ballots were blowing around nearby.

"That's not how the ballots are delivered, first of all," Rosenberg said. "Each town orders them individually. That's not even a possible thing that could have happened, but also, it didn't happen. ... Twitter's terms of service have always said you cannot lie about election administration.

Second, someone posted on Facebook that they had received an absentee ballot for a deceased

"The problem was that the absentee ballots didn't exist yet because they hadn't been printed,"

Rosenberg said. "We knew that that was not right. It's impossible for that to happen before the absentee ballots were printed, so we reported that to Facebook, and it came down" before it could be shared widely.

Third, an online rumor said that any election ballots filled out with Sharpies would not count. That

"Sharpies work fine in Connecticut's tabulators," Rosenberg said. "Literally the only pen that won't work is a red pen because the laser is red. Anything else would work as long as it's filled in enough. We were able to get out in front of a major conspiracy theory that came up on election day, and we were able to get correct information out to Connecticut voters before that even started to spread in Connecti-

University of New Haven political science professor Chris Haynes said the sheer size of the internet and the multiple websites will make it difficult for only one state employee to scan, identify, research and assess the accuracy of any claims in a timely fashion as

the election quickly approaches.

'Facebook devotes many, many workers to these types of efforts,' Haynes said in an interview. "I'm all for it, but I just question whether one person can do this job in an effective way. ... They're going to have to be the watchdog, the detective. This person is playing multiple roles just on one piece of misinformation. If they caught three of 35 false claims, does that make it better? But which three claims did they choose to focus on?

"I don't blame states like Connecticut for doing this because the aim is noble," Haynes added. "I wouldn't want to have this job, and that person would just get criticized in all types of ways. ... On a national level, you need probably hundreds of people to do this. It's a huge team. ... There's no silver bullet here."

Nationally, states like Colorado and California have adopted similar positions under the secretary of the state, which is often the chief elections official. In addition. Arizona, Idaho, and Oregon are conducting advertising campaigns on television, radio, and the internet in the same way that Connecticut is planning with the \$2 million allocation.

The job description says the specialist will "identify disand misinformation related to Connecticut election administration in real time, monitoring the dark web, internet subculture websites such as 4- and 8-chan and reddit, as well as traditional social media sites like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Tik-Tok, etc., and reporting dis- and misinformation related to Connecticut election administration, before it spreads."

Merrill, the state's chief elections official, said earlier this year that the misinformation officer was successful two years ago and will be again this year.

"The 2020 election, and its aftermath, have been marred by multiple election administration conspiracy theories, driven by misinformation, that are rapidly eroding Americans' trust in our elections," Merrill said. "This position will be key in stopping the spread of election administration misinformation before it can do lasting damage in Connecticut."

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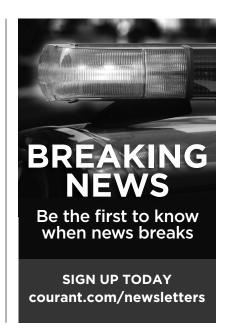
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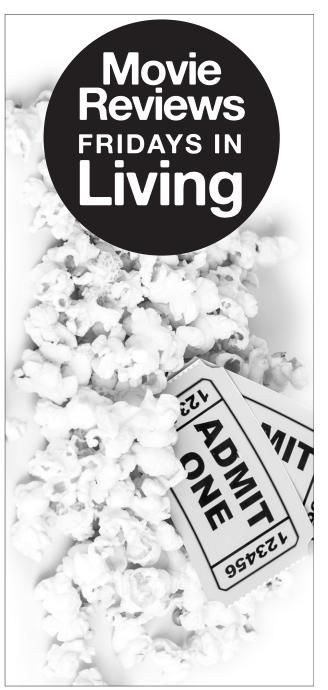
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Planner of courthouse shooting gets more than 15 years

By Edmund H. Mahony Hartford Courant

A gangster who federal prosecutors said instigated and planned a brazen, midday assassination attempt that left four wounded outside Bridgeport's busy Golden Hill courthouse was sentenced Wednesday to more than 15 years in prison.

Assante "Santi" Gaines, 25, admitted in court that he was present when other members of his gang from Bridgeport's north side, pumped at least 20 shots into a car containing four members of a rival gang in January 2020 in retaliation for the killing of a northside gangster by one of the rivals the night before.

The attack scattered shell casings in the street and left 23 bullet holes in just the front windshield of the parked Chevrolet carrying the victims. All four were hit, two seriously. One was paralyzed and a second victim sustained multiple gunshot wounds to his back, shoulder and wrist, prosecutors said.

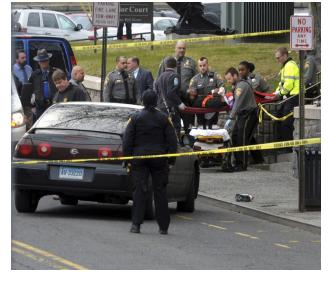
Gaines, who was 23 at the time of the attack, admitted his role in the ambush and previously pleaded guilty to

violent racketeering offenses that include attempted murder and conspiracy to commit murder. In addition to helping to set up the shooting, Gaines was accused of arranging to destroy evidence by burning the stolen car used in the attack and pressing a girlfriend to lie about it to a federal grand jury.

Prosecutors told U.S. District Judge Janet Bond Arterton that Gaines is incorrigible. Among other things, they said in court filings that he was speaking to an imprisoned gang member on what he knew to be a recorded prison phone as he drove to participate in the attack. What's more, he knew his movements were being tracked by the GPS ankle bracelet he was ordered to wear as a result of his parole from what was then the most recent of his prior arrests, convictions and incarcerations.

Moments after the attack, Gaines' parole officer was reporting to authorities that he had been present.

"Indeed, the Court need look no further than the fact that Gaines was willing to incite, orchestrate and oversee a daylight public assas-



Emergency personnel respond to a shooting outside the Golden Hill Street courthouse on Jan. 27, 2020, in Bridgeport. **NED GERARD/AP**

sination of two men and anyone who was with them in front of a court of justice while wearing a GPS ankle bracelet demonstrates that deterrence has no impact on Gaines," the prosecution said in one filing. "Gaines knows the law and will do everything in his power to impede its function."

Gaines' lawvers asked for leniency in their filings with the court, arguing that he is a victim of his environment.

As a youngster growing up in West Haven, he is described as a respectful and curious boy who enjoyed going to church with an aunt. But when his single mother moved to Bridgeport, the defense lawyers said he changed.

"Kids in the Bridgeport school that Asante attended behaved differently than in his previous schools," the defense lawyers wrote. "He was as an intelligent and inquisitive boy, but his new classmates ridiculed and bullied him for being a nerd. Like many children at that age, Asante wanted to be included, and the pressure to conform was even greater because he was the 'new kid.' He succumbed to peer pressure like many children do and his behavior changed for

Four federal law enforcement agencies and the **Bridgeport Police Depart**ment have been working in an effort to stamp out gang violence since the daytime shooting outside the crowded courthouse. Much of the evidence gathered about the shooting, as well as other acts of violence and near continuous drug dealing, came from the extensive use of social media websites, including Facebook and YouTube, where gang members boast about their crimes while posing with guns and high capacity ammunition magazines, according to law enforcement.

Even at age 22 when the courthouse ambush occurred, Gaines was considered a veteran member of the "Greene Homes Boyz", or "GHB/

Hotz", a gang based in the Charles F. Greene Homes Housing Complex in Bridgeport's North End, whose members were regularly depleted by shootings. The gang, like others in the city, distributed heroin, crack cocaine, marijuana and Percocet pills; committed continual acts of violence against rival gang members and others, celebrated on social media, federal prosecutors said.

From 2017 until law enforcement cracked down after the courthouse shooting, Bridgeport's northside gangs were at war with rivals elsewhere in the city.

Gaines was picked up less than a month after the courthouse shooting and he has been held without bail since.

He and seven other gang members were charged with federal crimes for their roles in the courthouse shooting and other gang activity, and he was the last to be sentenced. His seven associates also pleaded guilty and are currently serving prison terms of between eight and 40 years. The prosecution of numerous other individuals involved in Bridgeport gang activity is ongoing, federal prosecutors said.

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of an ongoing review of its needs for office space in Connecticut.

"As we consider our real estate portfolio, we continue to maintain a strong presence in the city of Hartford, where we have been head $quartered \, for \, more \, than \, 210$ years," Sturdevant said, in a statement.

The consolidation of The Hartford's offices is fresh evidence of how the pandemic accelerated the reshaping of just how much office space employers especially large corporate ones like The Hartford need in the post-COVID era.

"It's what cities all over the U.S. are seeing: a reassessment of real estate portfolios," said David Griggs, chief executive of the MetroHartford Alliance, the region's chamber of commerce, said Wednesday. "Will we see more of this? Yeah. Some companies were even doing it before the pandemic."

The Hartford's Windsor campus, at the corner of Day Hill Road and Blue Hills Avenue Extension, encompasses about 450,000 square feet, with about a third already leased by other tenants that include Talcott Resolution, Waste Management and Aflac.

With the relocation of its employees, The Hartford also is considering - alongside a possible sale — leasing the 250,000 square feet that had been occupied by its employees, The Hartford

Griggs said the post-COVID consolidations generally are not cutting deeply into company workforces, but what they are doing is shedding large blocks of office space. In The Hartford's case, Windsor gets dinged by the loss of jobs, but the employment is preserved in the region, Griggs said.

While that is good for employment, it creates the problem of what to do with the office space, a dilemma that must be solved on a regional basis, not in Hartford alone or in the surrounding suburbs, Griggs said.

"We don't have a lot of buildings with multiple income streams, so it puts them in a real pickle, and it's up to everybody, really, to come up with solutions that will work and allow these buildings to reinvent themselves," Griggs said.

Years before the pandemic, The Hartford was already taking a hard look at its office needs. In 2015, The Hartford sold its 172-acre suburban campus in Simsbury, including 641,000 square feet of office space in multiple buildings. The massive complex was later demolished for redevelopment.

Even earlier, in 2010, Hartford-based health insurer Aetna, Inc., now owned by CVS Health

Corp., headquartered in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, decided to demolish its sprawling 1.3 millionsquare-foot corporate, built in the early 1980s. The 260 acres was later sold for redevelopment.

The consolidations that came well before the pandemic were driven by employers needing less space as technology evolved and working from home started gaining momentum. Remote work was embraced during the pandemic, and experts say it is likely to remain permanently on the business landscape.

On Wednesday, the city of Hartford welcomed the prospects of more employees coming to work in the city, but acknowledged more unsettled times may be ahead as employers continue to evaluate their office space needs.

"The Hartford has long been a vital part of the Hartford community and a tremendous partner in our work to build a stronger, more vibrant city." Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin said, in a statement Wednesday. "As they and so many other companies make post-COVID adjustments to their workspaces, we are excited to welcome additional employees to The Hartford's downtown headquarters."

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on medians and street corners. We've had some instances where individuals interfered with traffic and almost caused some accidents."

The second ordinance passed by the council is aimed at curbing solicitors from making fraudulent claims to receive more money. These claims can be false statements or using props to receive donations under false pretenses.

"This would be holding up a sign claiming you're a veteran or wearing a uniform when you're not. It can also be using props like a wheelchair or crutches when you don't need them," said Rell. "It's really about ensuring integrity."

A \$50 fine can be issued for anyone found to be in violation of these ordinances. However, town police have been instructed to use discretion and first issue warnings before issuing fines.

Opponents of the measures argue that they are too vague and could lead to profiling or banning other forms of speech.

"One of the concerns was we would be going after lemonade stands or neighbors chatting with neighbors," Rell said. "But that's not the point here. It's about ensuring the safety of our community."

One of the groups opposed

to the measures is the ACLU of Connecticut. The nonprofit advocacy group warns the new ordinances could be used to profile certain individuals.

"At its core, Wethersfield's ordinance could lead to police enforcing it only in certain neighborhoods, at certain intersections, and against certain people, and it fundamentally restricts one kind of speech — asking for money," said Dan Barrett, ACLU of Connecticut's legal director.

Rell said the measure is about wanting "to make sure we can provide for those who need help."

"This is nothing about trying to rid people of their basic rights. We want them to be safe and take advantage of the numerous services offered here in our town," Rell said.

The town of Wethersfield administers some public housing for those that qual-

Wethersfield officials said they plan to create and circulate a flyer in areas of high panhandling activity to let those in need know what resources are available to them.

"Instead of donating directly to an individual on the street, donate to a local organization that provides for those with needs," Rell said. "We want to make sure those dollars are being used in the best way."

At the beginning of the pandemic, West Hartford and Bristol asked residents

not to give to those seeking money in this way. The Southington town council, also concerned about panhandling, has recently discussed trying to dissuade people who ask for money in town through an education campaign, according to meeting minutes.

Some towns, such as Bristol, have put up signs advising drivers to "say no to panhandling" and instead donate to various organizations. The move has had some success in discouraging panhandling, but hasn't decreased the need, according to a Bristol Press article.

You don't see it a whole lot here anymore because we're shunned or [considered] third world citizens," a man named James who used to panhandle in Bristol told the Press.

Some advocates for the homeless agree that giving money directly to people who need it is sometimes the best help, particularly in winter, and that services often don't reach people.

The ACLU of Connecticut believes Wethersfield's ordinances will ultimately fail but has not announced any legal action regarding the measure.

"When towns decide to care more about sweeping poverty under the rug than addressing the root causes of why people struggle to survive, it ends up most hurting people who are already marginalized," said Barrett. "This ordinance is cruel and likely unconstitutional."

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violence.

On Tuesday, a Senate panel heard from the son of an 86-year-old woman killed when a gunman opened fire May 14 in a racist attack on Black shoppers in Buffalo, New York. Ten people died.

Later Wednesday, the House began voting on separate titles of a gun control bill before taking a final vote. The portion increasing the minimum age for semi-automatic purchases from 18 to 21 was approved 228-199. Another portion would prohibit the sale of ammunition magazines with a capacity of more than 15 rounds.

The legislation has almost

no chance of becoming law as the Senate pursues negotiations focused on improving mental health programs, bolstering school security and enhancing background checks. But the House bill does allow Democratic lawmakers a chance to frame for voters in November where they stand on policies that polls show are widely supported.

Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., the House Oversight Committee chairwoman, called the hearing to focus on the human impact of gun violence and the urgency for gun control legislation.

"I am asking every member of this committee to listen with an open heart to the brave witnesses who have come forward to tell their stories about how gun violence has impacted their lives," Maloney said.

But the hearing also displayed the contentious debate over gun control Congress has faced repeatedly after mass shootings. Several Republicans turned the conversation to the individuals who abuse guns and how "hardening schools" could help protect students.

Rep. Andrew Clyde, R-Ga., who owns a gun store, called on schools to keep doors locked, provide a single point of entry and "a volunteer force of well-trained and armed staff, in addition to a school resource officer."

The parents of victims and survivors implored lawmakers not to let their children's deaths and pain be in vain.

After Miah spoke, her father told lawmakers that he testified because "I could have lost my baby girl."

"But she is not the same little girl that I use to play with," he said. "Something needs to really change."

Also testifying was Zeneta Everhart, whose son Zaire, 20, was wounded in the Buffalo shooting. She said it was lawmakers' duty to draft legislation that protects Zaire and other Americans.

"My son Zaire has a hole in the right side of his neck, two on his back, and another on his left leg," Everhart said, then paused to compose herself. "As I clean his wounds, I can feel pieces of that bullet in his back. Shrapnel will be left inside of his body for the rest of his life. Now I want you to picture that exact scenario for one of vour children."

The parents of Lexi Rubio, who died in her classroom in Uvalde, also testified. Felix and Kimberly Rubio recounted finding out about their daughter's death hours after leaving Lexi's school awards ceremony on the morning of the shooting.

To get to the elementary school, Kimberly Rubio said she ran barefoot for a mile with her sandals in her hand and with her husband by her side. A firefighter eventually gave them a ride back to the civic center.

"Soon after we received the news that our daughter was among the 19 students and two teachers that died as a result of gun violence," she said, fighting through tears.

She said that Lexi would

have made a positive change in the world if she had been given the chance. "Somewhere out there,

there's a mom listening to our testimony, thinking I can't even imagine their pain, not knowing that our reality will one day be hers unless we act now," Kimberly Rubio said.

Dr. Roy Guerrero described the carnage he witnessed at the local hospital as he tried to treat the injured. He went to the area of the hospital where two dead children had been taken. The bodies were so pulverized, he said, "that the only clue to their identities was the blood-splattered cartoon clothes still clinging to them, clinging for life and finding none."

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Jan. 6 panel to bring case to nation

Prime-time hearing will probe riot, push to overturn election

By Lisa Mascaro and Mary Clare Jalonick Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection at the U.S. Capitol played out for the world to see, but the House committee investigating the attack believes a more chilling story has yet to be told — about the president and the people whose actions put American democracy at risk.

With personal accounts and gruesome videos, the committee expects Thursday's prime-time hearing to begin to show that America's tradition of a peaceful transfer of presidential power came close to slipping away. It will reconstruct how the president, Donald Trump, refused to concede the 2020 election, spread false claims of voter fraud and orchestrated an unprecedented public and private campaign to overturn Joe Biden's victory.

Emotions are still raw at the Capitol 17 months after Trump sent his supporters to Congress to "fight like hell" for his presidency. That was on a Wednesday, two months after the election, a traditionally celebratory if ho-hum day when Congress is tasked with certifying the November results.

Security will be tight for the hearings. Law enforcement officials are reporting a spike in violent threats against members of Congress.

Against this backdrop, the committee will try to speak to a divided America, ahead of the fall midterm



Rioters supporting then-President Donald Trump approach the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021. **JULIO CORTEZ/AP**

elections when voters will decide which party controls the Congress. Most TV networks will carry the hearings live; Fox News will not.

"We're going to tell the story of a conspiracy to overturn the 2020 presidential election," says Rep. Jamie Raskin, D-Md., a member of the committee. "You really have to go back to the Civil War to understand anything like it."

First up will be wrenching accounts from police who engaged in hand-to-hand combat with the mob, with testimony from U.S. Capitol Police Officer Caroline Edwards, who was seriously injured in the melee. Also

appearing Thursday will be documentary maker Nick Quested who filmed the extremist Proud Boys storming the Capitol. Some of that group's members have since been indicted as have some from the Oath Keepers on sedition charges over the military-style attack.

In the weeks ahead, the panel is expected to detail Trump's public campaign to "Stop the Steal" and the private pressure he put on the Department of Justice to reverse his election loss despite dozens of failed court cases and his own attorney general attesting there was no fraud on a scale that could have tipped the results in his favor.

"It's going to be there for the permanent record, and I think that's important for history," said former Rep. Barbara Comstock, R-Va.

The panel, made up of nine lawmakers, faced obstacles from its start.

Republicans blocked the formation of an independent body that could have investigated the Jan. 6 assault the way the 9/11 Commission probed the 2001 terror attack.

Instead, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi ushered the creation of the panel through Congress over the objections of Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell. She rejected Republican-appointed lawmakers who had voted Jan. 6 against certifying the election results, choosing her own preferred members to serve and naming civil rights advocate Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., as chairman.

The Jan. 6 commit-

tee's lopsided composition includes seven Democrats and two Republicans — Reps. Liz Cheney of Wyoming and Adam Kinzinger of Illinois, both outspoken Trump critics now risking their political futures on this work.

After a yearlong investigation and 1,000 interviews, the story the committee aims to tell is still unfolding.

By many measures, the attack was set in motion

months earlier, soon after Election Day, when Trump falsely claimed the voting was rigged and refused to concede once Biden was declared the winner.

The proceedings are expected to introduce Americans to a cast of characters, some well known, others elusive, and to what they said and did as Trump and his allies tried to reverse the election outcome.

The public will hear about the actions of Mark Meadows, the president's chief of staff, whose 2,000-plus text messages provided the committee with a snapshot of the real-time scramble to keep Trump in office. Of John Eastman, the conservative law professor, who was the architect of the unsuccessful scheme to convince Vice President Mike Pence to halt the certification Jan. 6. Of the Justice Department officials who threatened to resign rather than go along with Trump's startling proposals.

Lawmakers have also been caught up in the probe, including House GOP leader Kevin McCarthy, who defied the committee's subpoena requests for testimony. Trump's daughter Ivanka Trump, who urged her father to call off the rioters, appeared privately before the committee.

The Justice Department has arrested and charged more than 800 people for the violence that day, the biggest dragnet in its history.

Trump has dismissed the entire investigation as illegitimate. The committee cannot charge him or anyone else. It's jurisdiction allows it only to refer its findings to the DOJ, which is investigating.

Federal review of Uvalde police response initiated

Team of nine will examine shooting, issue public report

By Michael Balsamo Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department has named a team of nine people, including an FBI official and former police chiefs, to aid in a review of the law enforcement response to the Uvalde, Texas, elementary school shooting May 24 that left 19 children and two teachers dead.

Attorney General Merrick Garland announced the team during a meeting Wednesday in his office in Washington. The critical incident review is being led by the Justice Department's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

The review will include an examination of police policies, training and communication, along with the deployment of officers and tactics, the DOJ said. It will also examine who was in command of the incident and how police prepared for potential active-shooter incidents.

The team gathered for its first meeting Wednesday around a conference table in Garland's office, with a few of the members appearing virtually on a large television screen.

Garland said the review would be comprehensive, transparent and independent.

"We will be assessing what happened that day," he said. "We will be doing site visits to the school, we will be conducting interviews of an extremely wide variety of stakeholders, witnesses, families, law enforcement, government officials, school officials, and we will be reviewing the resources that were made available in the aftermath."

The findings and recommendations will be detailed in a report that will be made public, he said.

Garland said the team has already begun its work, though the department didn't provide specific information on whether any members of the team have been to Uvalde, a town of about 15,000 residents.

The Justice Department said it would move as expeditiously as possible in developing the report.

The review was requested by Uvalde's mayor. Such a review is somewhat rare, and most after-action reports that come after a mass shooting are generally compiled by local law enforcement agencies or outside groups.

The DOJ conducted similar reviews after 14 people were killed in a terrorist attack in San Bernardino, Calif., in 2015 and after the mass shooting at the Pulse Nightclub in Orlando, Fla., the deadliest attack on the LGBTQ community in U.S. history, which left 49 people dead and 53 people wounded in 2016.

Two weeks ago, the 19 students and two teachers were killed at Robb Elementary School.

Law enforcement and state officials have struggled to present an accurate timeline and details, and they have stopped releasing information about the police

The gunman, Salvador Ramos, 18, spent roughly 80 minutes inside Robb Elementary, and more than an hour passed from when the first officers followed him into the building to when he was killed, according to an official timeline.

The review comes as state officials have already been examining the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

A spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety has said the school district police chief who served as



Mourners visit a memorial Friday at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, honoring the victims of the May 24 attack that left 19 students and two teachers dead. **ERIC GAY/AP**

on-site commander — and who officials have said made the decision not to breach a classroom sooner, believing it had shifted from an active shooting to a hostage situation — had stopped speaking with state investigators.

But the chief, Pete Arredondo, later told CNN that he was speaking regularly with Texas Department of Public Safety investigators.

Texas officials have stopped answering questions about the response and haven't said whether Arredondo is now cooperating with them.

When asked what the Justice Department would do if someone refused to cooperate in the federal review, Garland said Justice officials "expect voluntary cooperation from everybody at every level, and we have been promised that cooperation."

Uvalde's mayor, Don McLaughlin, praised Garland for the "swift action" in beginning the review and vowed the city would fully cooperate.

The team includes: Rick Braziel, the former police chief in Sacramento, Calif.;

Gene Deisinger, who was a deputy chief at Virginia Tech; Frank Fernandez, who served as the director of public safety in Coral Gables, Fla.; Albert Guarnieri, a unit chief at the FBI; Mark Lomax, who worked as a major with the Pennsylvania State Police; Laura McElroy, the CEO of McElroy Media Group; John Mina, the sheriff in Orange County, Fla.; April Naturale, an assistant vice president at Vibrant Emotional Health; and Kristen Ziman, the former police chief in Aurora, Ill.

Olympian Simone Biles and dozens of other gymnasts are suing the FBI. GRAEME JENNINGS/POOL PHOTO 2021

Biles among dozens seeking \$1B-plus from FBI over Nassar

By Ed White Associated Press

DETROIT — Olympic gold medalist Simone Biles and dozens of other women who say they were sexually assaulted by Larry Nassar are seeking more than \$1 billion from the FBI for failing to stop the sports doctor when the agency first received allegations against him, lawyers said Wednes-

There's no dispute that FBI agents in 2015 knew

that Nassar was accused of assaulting gymnasts, but they failed to act, leaving him free to continue to target young women and girls for more than a year. He pleaded guilty in 2017 and is serving decades in prison.

"It is time for the FBI to be held accountable," said Maggie Nichols, a national champion gymnast at Oklahoma in 2017-2019.

The approximately 90 claimants include Biles, Aly Raisman and McKayla Maroney, all Olympic gold medalists, according to Manly, Stewart & Finaldi, a California law firm. Separately, 13 claims were filed by others in April.

"If the FBI had simply done its job, Nassar would have been stopped before he ever had the chance to abuse hundreds of girls, including me," said former University of Michigan gymnast Samantha Roy.

Nassar wasn't arrested until fall 2016 during an investigation by Michigan State University police. He was a doctor at Michigan

The Michigan attorney general's office ultimately handled the assault charges against Nassar, while federal prosecutors in Grand Rapids, Mich., filed a child

pornography case.
Failures by federal law enforcers have led to major settlements, including \$127.5 million for families of those killed or injured in the 2018 massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Flor-

ida. The FBI received a tip about five weeks before 17 people were killed, which was never forwarded to the South Florida office.

Michigan State University, which was also accused of missing chances over many years to stop Nassar, agreed to pay \$500 million to more than 300 women and girls who were assaulted by him. USA Gymnastics and the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee made a \$380 million settlement.







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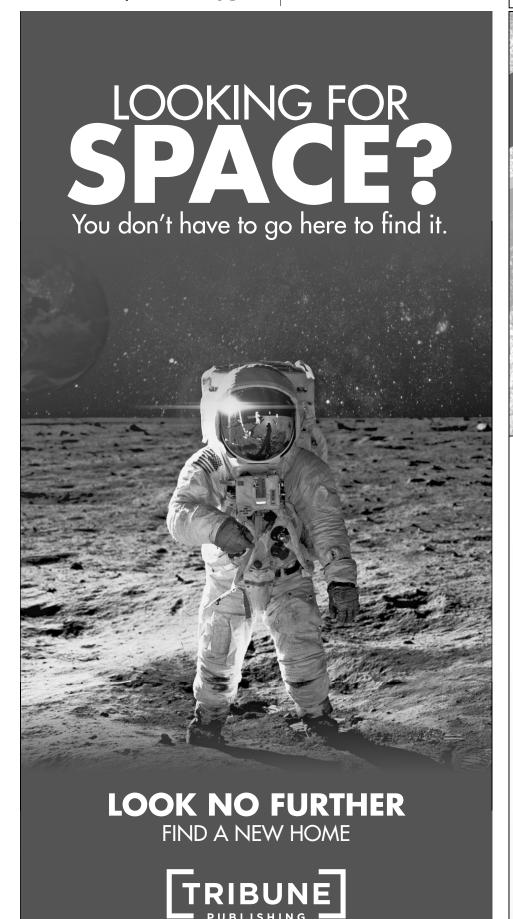
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Trump set to undergo questioning in July in NY civil investigation

From news services

NEW YORK — Former President Donald Trump, his namesake son and his daughter Ivanka have agreed to answer questions under oath next month in the New York attorney general's civil investigation into his business practices — unless their lawyers persuade the state's highest court to step in.

A Manhattan judge signed off Wednesday on an agreement that calls for the Trumps to give depositions starting July 15.

Messages seeking comment were sent to the ex-president's attorneys.

State Attorney General Letitia James' office declined to comment, as did the younger Trumps' attorney, Alan Futerfas.

Another Trump son, Eric Trump, gave a deposition in 2020 but declined to answer some questions.

The new agreement comes after a series of setbacks for Donald Trump's efforts to block James' 3-year-long investigation.

James has said the probe has uncovered evidence that Trump's company exaggerated the value of assets such as skyscrapers, golf courses and even his Manhattan penthouse to get loans, insurance and tax breaks for land donations.

A lawyer for her office told a judge last month that evidence could support legal action against the former president, his company or both, though the attorney said no decision had been made.

Trump has decried the investigation as part of a politically motivated "witch hunt" against him.

Wednesday's agreement acknowledges that the Trumps can appeal to New York's top court, called the Court of Appeals, to try to overturn the decision that requires their depositions.

James' office started investigating Trump in 2019, after his former personal lawyer Michael Cohen told Congress that the business-person-turned-politician had a history of misrepresenting the value of assets to gain favorable loan terms and tax benefits.

James' office also has been involved in a parallel, but separate, investigation by the Manhattan district attorney's office.

COVID-19 funding: The Biden administration said Wednesday that a funding crunch is forcing it to divert more than \$10 billion in coronavirus relief from test procurement and other efforts as it tries to come up with money to secure the next generation of vaccines and treatments for some high-risk Americans.

The White House said it has "no choice" but to cut back on orders of at-home rapid tests that have supported a domestic manufacturing base for the easy diagnostic tests.

It also is scaling back funding for research and development of new COVID-19 vaccines and limiting orders of personal protective equipment in an effort to maintain some stockpiles of vaccines and treatments heading into the winter.

Even then, the Democratic administration says, there will only be enough money available to provide treatments and vaccines to some. It urged Congress to act to provide enough money to secure doses for all who might want or need them.

The administration said it would shift \$5 billion to buy COVID-19 vaccine doses for the fall, \$4.9 billion for 10 million Paxlovid oral



Police stand near a car that plowed into pedestrians before smashing into a perfume shop Wednesday in a popular shopping district in Berlin. Authorities said a female teacher on a trip to the German capital city with secondary school students was killed and nine others were seriously injured. The driver was detained by passersby and later arrested. **SEAN GALLUP/GETTY**

antiviral treatment courses and \$300 million for the purchase of additional monoclonal antibody treatments.

Moderna update: Moderna's experimental COVID-19 vaccine that combines its original shot with protection against the omicron variant appears to work, the company announced

Wednesday.
COVID-19 vaccine makers are studying updated boosters that might be offered in the fall to better protect people against future coronavirus surges.

Moderna's preliminary study results show people given the combination shot experienced a higher boost in omicron-fighting antibodies than if they just got a fourth dose of the original vaccine.

U.S. regulators, and the World Health Organization, are considering whether to order a change in the vaccine recipe for a new round of booster shots in the fall, when cold weather and

kids returning to school are expected to drive another surge.

Iran nuclear monitoring: Iran on Wednesday turned off two surveillance devices used by U.N. inspectors to monitor the Islamic Republic's uranium enrichment.

The move appeared to be a new pressure tactic just before the International Atomic Energy Agency's board of governors, meeting in Vienna, approved a resolution put forward by Western nations to criticize Iran.

The censure deals with what the watchdog refers to as Iran's failure to provide "credible information" over nuclear material found at undeclared sites across the country.

Nonproliferation experts have warned Iran has enough uranium enriched close to weapons-grade levels to pursue an atomic bomb if it chooses to do so.

In 2016, the IAEA said it installed the device for the first time in Iran's underground Natanz nuclear facility, its main enrichment site

some 125 miles south of the capital, Tehran.

The device allowed for "around-the-clock monitoring" of the facility's series of centrifuges hooked together to rapidly spin uranium gas to enrich it.

Iran train derailment: A passenger train in eastern Iran struck an excavator and nearly half its cars derailed Wednesday, killing at least 22 people and injuring 87, officials said.

The train carried some 350 people as it traveled from the town of Tabas, about 340 miles southeast of Tehran, to the city of Yazd.

Based on images seen after the pre-dawn crash, it appeared the train's locomotive passed the excavator and the later cars somehow hit the digger and caused the derailment.

Authorities did not immediately explain how the disaster happened.

One of those injured told state TV from a hospital that they felt the train suddenly brake and then slow before the derailment.

The crash is under investigation.

San Francisco DA recalled: San Francisco residents voted overwhelmingly to recall progressive District Attorney Chesa Boudin following a heated campaign.

Boudin, 41, was a firsttime political candidate who narrowly won office in November 2019 as part of a national wave of progressive prosecutors who pledged to seek alternatives to incarceration, end the racist war on drugs and hold police officers to account.

But his time in office coincided with a frustrating and frightening pandemic in which viral footage of brazen shoplifting and attacks against Asian American people drove some residents to mount a recall campaign of the former public defender and son of left-wing activists.

Mayor London Breed will name Boudin's replacement after the results are certified and approved.

Boudin could also run in November when the race is back on the ballot.



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Doctor's participation in name only

Miss. official has nothing to do with lawsuit on abortion

By Emily Wagster Pettus and Mike Stobbe Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. – Dr. Thomas Dobbs has never gotten involved in political fights over reproductive health, but his name has become shorthand for a legal case that could end abortion rights in the United States. If he has feelings about the situation, he pretty much keeps those to himself.

Mississippi's top public health official is named in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, a dispute over a state law that would ban most abortions after the 15th week but that could be used to overturn Roe v. Wade.

A leaked draft of a U.S. Supreme Court opinion shows a conservative majority of justices are ready to use the case to topple the court's landmark 1973 ruling that established abortion rights nationwide.

Dobbs, 52, is a physician in charge of the state health department, which regulates Mississippi's only abortion clinic. In that role, he is the person who must be named in any lawsuit related to abortion or other health issues, he explained recently in a post on Twitter.

So, while the name at the center of the abortion debate could change from "Roe" to "Dobbs," it is the state attorney general's office that is handling the state's case.

"I had no direct involvement in any component of this legal action," he wrote in the post.

Liz Sharlot, communications director for the state health department, confirmed Dobbs' strictly nominal role and denied a request from Associated Press to interview him because, she said, he "did not personally initiate this case."

"The Mississippi State



Dr. Thomas Dobbs, right, watches Gov. Tate Reeves during a COVID-19 news briefing in Jackson, Miss. Dobbs' name is linked to a legal case that could ultimately result in the end of nearly 50 years of abortion rights nationwide. ROGELIO V. SOLIS/AP 2021

Department of Health's only role regarding abortion facilities is the regulations to support the law, the inspection and the licensing of that facility," Sharlot wrote in an

Dobbs is a former state epidemiologist who became head of the health department in 2018, months after Mississippi's Republican-controlled Legislature passed the abortion-restriction law that's now at the center of the court case.

He has spent his public health career pushing for better outcomes in a state plagued by high rates of infant mortality and other poor health statistics.

The legal fight over abortion started when Mississippi's only abortion clinic sued over the 15-week ban. The suit was originally called Jackson Women's Health Organization v. Currier et al. The main defendant was the state health officer at the time, Dr. Mary Currier. After

she left, a judge removed Currier's name from the case and replaced it with

A federal district judge blocked the law from taking effect. When the state appealed to the Supreme Court, the name of the case was flipped, to Dobbs versus the clinic.

During an online briefing hosted by the Mississippi State Medical Association in June 2021, Dobbs was asked about his name being on the abortion case. He noted that Dr. Kenneth Cleveland also was named in the lawsuit in his capacity as head of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

"He didn't make the headline," the medical association president at the time, Dr. Mark Horne, said in a good-natured jab at Dobbs.

"I'm trying to get him to swap with me," Dobbs quipped.

Until now, the name most associated with the abortion debate has been Jane Roe, a pseudonym for a Dallas woman named Norma McCorvey, who was the plaintiff in the famous Roe v. Wade case. Wade was Henry Wade, the Dallas County district attorney at the time.

In 1969, the 22-year-old McCorvey became pregnant for the third time and wanted to have an abortion. McCorvey and her attorneys ultimately won the legal battle, but not until she gave birth and gave the girl up for adoption. She later became an anti-abortion activist. McCorvey died in 2017 at the age of 69.

Another name that often arises in the debate is that of is Robert Casey, a former Democratic governor of Pennsylvania who was an anti-abortion advocate. In 1989, he worked with the state's Legislature to enact a law that placed several limitations on abortion. Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania challenged the law. In 1992, the Supreme Court upheld most of the restrictions, but also affirmed a woman's right to an abortion. Casey died in 2000. The name of the case was Planned Parenthood v. Casev.

While Dobbs has not been involved in the abortion debates, he has spent the past two years engulfed in a different contentious health issue: the COVID-19 pandemic. At dozens of news conferences and other public appearances, he has implored people to get vaccinated, wear masks and maintain social distancing. He persisted even as many people, including some public officials, resisted.

In August, Dobbs said he had received threats from people who believed false conspiracy theories about him and his family as he promoted vaccination against COVID-19. Dobbs said one lie is that his son, who is also a physician, receives a World Bankfunded kickback when Dobbs urges people to get vaccinated.

"I get zero \$ from promoting vaccination," Dobbs wrote on Twitter.

Before COVID-19 vaccinations were available, the usually even-tempered Dobbs expressed frustration at people's insistence on attending social events and extracurricular school activities, including sports competitions.

"Our hierarchy of prioritization is extremely stupid," Dobbs said in November 2020. "We're prioritizing youth sports, not only over academics. We're actually prioritizing it over community health, just to be honest."

Dobbs announced in March that he will retire at the end of July.

Dr. Georges Benjamin is executive director of the American Public Health Association, one of several public health and research groups that have filed a legal brief critical of Mississippi's 15-week abortion ban.

Benjamin said he does not know Dobbs' personal opinion about abortion and the legal issues involved in the case, and expressed doubt that Dobbs would state them publicly.

"Your name may get associated with a legal case when you're in these jobs," Benjamin said. "But your name being associated may not align with your own views. You are the public official, and unfortunately that's what happens when you take these jobs."

Benjamin said Dobbs has done an "incredible" job as Mississippi's health officer during the pandemic, including remarkable work addressing issues of inequity. He called him a "trusted figure who follows scientific principles."

Benjamin's hope, he said, is that Dobbs' reputation "does not get tarnished" by having his name on the abortion case.



A man looks at a ruined building Wednesday near Kharkiv, Ukraine. Authorities said Russian shelling in the region left five dead over the previous 24 hours. SERGEY BOBOK/GETTY-AFP

WAR IN UKRAINE

Brutal battle for every inch of key eastern city rages on

By Bernat Armangue and Yuras Karmanau Associated Press

BAKHMUT, Ukraine Ukrainian and Russian forces battled fiercely for control of a key eastern city Wednesday.

The urban battle for Sievierodonetsk testified to the painstaking, inch-by-inch campaign by Moscow's troops to seize the eastern industrial heartland known as the Donbas.

Luhansk Gov. Serhiv Haidai acknowledged the difficulties, saying, "Maybe we will have to retreat, but right now battles are ongo-

ing in the city."
"Everything the Russian army has — artillery, mortars, tanks, aviation all of that, they're using in Sievierodonetsk in order to wipe the city off the face of the Earth and capture it completely," he said.

Sievierodonetsk, which had a prewar population of 100,000, and the city of Lysychansk are wedged between Russian forces in Luhansk province.

Valentyna Tsonkan, an elderly resident of Lysychansk, described when her house came under attack. "I was lying on my bed.

The shrapnel hit the wall and went through my shoulder," she said while being treated for her wounds.

Meanwhile, Russian shelling of the Kharkiv region killed five people and wounded 12 over the past 24 hours, Ukrainian authorities said. The Russian military

said it used high-precision missiles to hit an armor repair plant near Kharkiv. There was no confirmation from Ukraine of such a plant being hit.

More than three months into the war, Russia's continuing encroachment could open up the possibility of a negotiated settlement between the nations, analysts said.

Russian President Vladimir Putin "has the option of declaring his objectives met at more or less any time in order to consolidate Russia's territorial gains." said Keir Giles, a Russia expert at the London think tank Chatham House. At that point, Giles said, Western leaders may "pressure Ukraine to accept their losses in order to bring an

end to the fighting." Meanwhile, the international nuclear watchdog agency said Wednesday that radiation detectors at the defunct Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine are online for the first time since the Russian invasion Feb. 24 and that radiation levels are normal.

Russian forces set up encampments and dug trenches in the forests around the plant, the site of the world's worst nuclear disaster in 1986. Russian troops left March 31.

The International Atomic **Energy Agency expressed** alarm over the safety of Ukraine's nuclear reactors. This week, Ukraine also raised renewed concerns about the safety at the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant in southern Ukraine, which is under the control of Russian forces.

Ukraine told the IAEA on Monday that it had "lost control over" nuclear material at Zaporizhzhia and data communication with the plant on nuclear safeguards had broken down.

The New York Times contributed.

Police in Md. nab armed man threatening to kill Kavanaugh

By Mark Sherman, Michael Balsamo and Michael Kunzelman Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A man carrying a gun, a knife and zip ties was arrested Wednesday near Justice Brett Kavanaugh's house in Maryland after threatening to kill the justice.

Nicholas John Roske, 26, of Simi Valley, California, was charged with the attempted murder of a Supreme Court justice. During a court hearing, he consented to remain in federal custody for now.

Roske was dressed in black when he arrived by taxi just after 1 a.m. outside Kavanaugh's home in Chevy Chase, Maryland. He had a Glock 17 pistol, ammunition, a knife, zip ties, pepper spray, duct tape and other items that he told police he would use to break into Kavanaugh's house and kill him, according to a criminal complaint and an affidavit filed in federal court in Marvland.

Roske said he purchased the gun to kill Kavanaugh and that he also would kill himself, the affidavit said.

Roske told police he was upset by a leaked draft opinion suggesting the Supreme Court is about to overrule Roe v. Wade, the landmark abortion case. He also said he was upset over the school massacre in Uvalde. Texas, and believed Kavanaugh would vote to loosen gun control laws, the affida-

The court is weighing a challenge to New York's requirements for getting a permit to carry a gun in public, a case that could make it easier to be armed on city streets.

When he got out of the taxi, Roske was spotted by two U.S. Marshals who are part of round-theclock security provided to the justices following the leak of the draft opinion last month. But Roske



U.S. Marshals patrol Wednesday outside the home of Justice Brett Kavanaugh in Chevy Chase, Maryland, Aman was arrested near Kavanaugh's home. JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP

was only apprehended after he called 911 in Montgomery County, Maryland, and said he was having suicidal thoughts and planned to kill Kavanaugh, having Kavanaugh found the justice's address online.

Roske was still on the phone when county police arrived on the scene, according to the affidavit.

At his initial appearance in federal court in Greenbelt, Maryland, Roske paused several times before responding to routine inquiries from U.S. Magistrate Judge Timothy Sullivan during the 10-minute hearing.

Asked if he understood what was happening and whether he was thinking clearly, Roske paused, then said, "I think I have a reasonable understanding, but I wouldn't say I'm thinking clearly."

Roske said he is taking medication, but did not say what it is or why he is on it.

Andrew Szekely, a federal public defender who is representing Roske, declined to comment. Roske's next court date was set for June 22. The attempted murder charge carries a maximum term of 20 years in prison.

Earlier Wednesday,

Attorney General Merrick Garland told reporters, "This kind of behavior is obviously behavior we will not tolerate. Threats of violence and actual violence against the justices of course strike at

the heart of our democracy and we will do everything we can to prevent them and to hold people who do them accountable."

President Joe Biden praised authorities for apprehending the man, deputy White House press secretary Andrew Bates said in an email.

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., called on the House to pass a Supreme Court security bill that would provide police protection to the families of the nine justices. The Senate passed the bill unanimously in May.

There have been protests at the homes of Kavanaugh and other justices, as well as demonstrations at the court, where a security fence rings the building.

A Homeland Security Department report said the draft opinion, leaked in May, has unleashed threats against officials and others and increased the likelihood of extremist violence.

The New York Times contributed.

WORLD & NATION

Archives shed light on WWII pope

Policies of Pius XII during Holocaust in focus in new books

By Nicole Winfield Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican has long defended its World War II-era pope, Pius XII, against criticism that he remained silent as the Holocaust unfolded, insisting that he worked quietly behind the scenes to save lives.

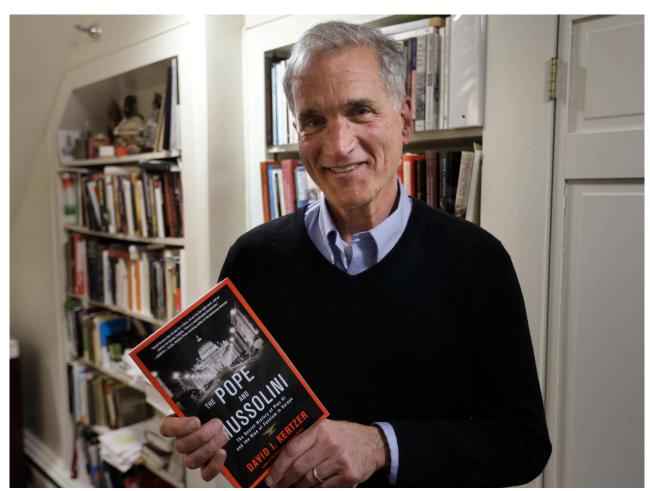
A new book, citing recently opened Vatican archives, suggests the lives the Vatican worked hardest to save were Jews who had converted to Catholicism or were children of Catholic-Jewish "mixed marriages.

Documents attesting to frantic searches for baptismal certificates, lists of names of converts handed over by the Vatican to the German ambassador and heartfelt pleas from Catholics for the pope to find relatives of Jewish descent are contained in David Kertzer's "The Pope at War," which was published this week in the United States.

The book follows on the heels of Kertzer's Pulitzer Prize-winning "The Pope and Mussolini," about Pius' predecessor, Pius XI. It uses the millions of recently released documents from the Vatican archives as well as the state archives of Italy, France, Germany, the U.S., and Britain to craft a history of World War II through the prism of the Pius XII papacy and its extensive diplomatic network with both Axis and Allied nations.

The amount of material in these archives about searching for baptismal records for Jews that could save them is really pretty stunning," Kertzer said.

The 484-page book, and its nearly 100 pages of endnotes, portrays a timid pontiff who wasn't driven by antisemitism, but rather



Professor David Kertzer holds a copy of his previous book on Pope Pius XI. Kertzer's new book suggests the Vatican worked hardest to save Jews who had converted to Catholicism or were children of Catholic-Jewish marriages in World War II. AP 2015

a conviction that Vatican neutrality was the best and only way to protect the interests of the Catholic Church as the war raged on.

Kertzer, a professor of anthropology and Italian studies at Brown University, suggests Pius' primary motivation was fear: fear for the church and Catholics in German-occupied territories if, as he believed until the end, the Axis won; and fear of atheist Communism spreading across Christian Europe if the Axis lost.

To assuage that fear, Kertzer writes, Pius charted a paralyzingly cautious course to avoid conflict at all costs with the Nazis.

Direct orders went to the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano not to write about German atrocities and to ensure seamless. cooperation with the Fascist dictatorship of Benito Mussolini in the Vatican's backyard.

That meant never saying a word in public to explicitly denounce SS massacres, even when Jews were being rounded up right outside the Vatican walls, as they were Oct. 16, 1943, and put on trains bound for Auschwitz.

Kertzer concludes that Pius was no "Hitler's Pope" – the provocative title of the last Pius-era blockbuster by John Cornwell. But neither was he the champion of Jews that Pius' supporters contend.

Marla Stone, professor of humanities at the American Academy of Rome, said the book "takes a position between the previous poles of historical interpretation."

"The Pope at War" is one

of several books starting to roll out two years after Pope Francis opened the Pius XII archives ahead of schedule. That gave scholars access to the full set of documentation to resolve the outstanding questions about Pius and what he did or didn't do as

the Holocaust unfolded. One of the first out of the gate was written in house. by the archivist of the Vatican's secretariat of state, Johan Ickx. Perhaps understandably, it praised Pius and the humanitarian efforts of the Vatican to care for Jews and people fleeing the war, recounting the hundreds of files of Jews who turned to him, begging for help.

"For the Jews it was obvious and clear that Pius XII was on their side and both he and his staff would have done everything in their possibility to save them," Ickx told Vatican News.

The Rev. Peter Gumpel, the German investigator who promoted Pius' now-stalled cause for sainthood, has argued that Pius couldn't speak out more publicly because he knew it would enrage Adolf Hitler and result in more Jews being killed.

Kertzer identifies two major omissions in his book: The first was the transcripts of a series of secret meetings between Pius and a personal envoy of Hitler, Prince Philipp von Hessen, that began shortly after Pius was elected and continued for two years. The secret channel gave Pius a direct line to Hitler that was previously unknown, even to high-ranking Vatican officials at the time.

contents of the note from Pius' top diplomatic adviser on Jewish issues, Monsignor Angelo Dell'Acqua, responding to pleas for Pius to finally say something about the roundup of Italy's Jews that accelerated in the autumn and winter of 1943.

While Dell'Acqua's opinion — that Pius should not say anything — was previously known, Kertzer says the antisemitic slurs he used to describe Jews had been excised from the Jesuits' 11-volume text.

L'Osservatore Romano has already come out swinging against Kertzer's scholarship, blasting a 2020 essay he published in The Atlantic on some preliminary findings from the archives as "strong affirmations, but unproven."

A key example of the Vatican's priorities, Kertzer says, came during the Oct. 16, 1943, roundup of Rome's Jews. That morning, 1,259 Jews were arrested and taken to a military barracks near the Vatican, bound for deportation to Auschwitz.

The day after their capture, the Vatican's secretariat of state received permission from German authorities to send an envoy to the barracks, who ascertained that those inside "included people who had already been baptized, confirmed and celebrated a church wedding," according to the envoy's notes.

Over the following days, the secretariat of state drew up lists of people the church deemed Catholic and gave the names to the German ambassador asking for his intervention. In all, of the 1,259 people originally arrested, some 250 were spared deportation.

"For me, what this means, and I think this is also a novelty in the book, is that the Vatican participates in the selection of Jews," Kertzer said. "Who is going to live and who is going to

India's tensions heightened by dead emperor

Muslim ruler's name, legacy invoked by Hindu nationalists

By Sheikh Saalig Associated Press

NEW DELHI — Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi rose from his chair and walked briskly toward the podium to deliver another nighttime address to the nation. It was expected the speech would include a rare message of interfaith harmony in the country where religious tensions have risen under his rule.

Modi was speaking from the historic Mogul-era Red Fort in New Delhi, and the event marked the 400th birth anniversary celebrations of Guru Tegh Bahadur, the ninth Sikh guru who is remembered for championing religious freedoms for all.

The occasion and the venue, in many ways, were appropriate.

Instead, Modi chose the April event to turn back the clock and remind people of India's most despised Muslim ruler, who has been dead for more than 300

"Aurangzeb severed many heads, but he could not shake our faith," Modi said during his address.

His invocation of the 17th-century Mogul emperor was not a mere blip.

India's modern rulers are now resurrecting Aurangzeb Alamgir as a brutal oppressor of Hindus and a rallying cry for Hindu nationalists who believe India must be salvaged from the taint of the so-called Muslim invad-

As tensions between Hindus and Muslims mount. the scorn for Aurangzeb has grown, and politicians on India's right have invoked him like never before. It often comes with a warning: India's Muslims should disassociate themselves from him as retribution for his alleged crimes.



A bookseller shows books about Indian Mogul ruler Aurangzeb on Thursday in New Delhi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and others from his Hindu nationalist party have used Aurangzeb as a symbol of Muslim oppression. MANISH SWARUP/AP

"For today's Hindu nationalists, Aurangzeb is a dog whistle for hating all Indian Muslims," said Audrey Truschke, historian and author of the book "Aurangzeb: The Man and the Myth."

Hating and disparaging Muslim rulers, particularly Moguls, is distinctive to India's Hindu nationalists, who for decades have striven to transform officially secular India into a Hindu nation.

They argue that Muslim rulers such as Aurangzeb destroyed Hindu culture, forced religious conversions, desecrated temples and imposed harsh taxes on non-Muslims, even though some historians say such stories are exaggerated. Popular thought among nationalists traces the origin of Hindu-Muslim tensions back to medieval times, when seven successive Muslim dynasties ruled India.

This belief had led them on a quest to redeem India's Hindu past, to right the perceived wrongs suffered over centuries. And Aurangzeb is central to this senti-

Aurangzeb, the last powerful Mogul emperor, ascended to the throne in the mid-17th century after imprisoning his father and having his older brother killed. Unlike other Moguls, who ruled over a vast empire in South Asia for more than 300 years and enjoy a relatively uncontested legacy, Aurangzeb is, almost undoubtedly, one of the most hated men in Indian history.

Richard Eaton, a professor at the University of Arizona widely regarded as an authority on pre-modern India, said that even though Aurangzeb destroyed temples, available records show it was a little more than a dozen and not thousands, as has been widely believed. This was done for political, not religious reasons, Eaton said, adding that the Muslim emperor also extended safety and security to people from all religions.

'In a word, he was a man of his own time, not of ours," said Eaton, adding that the Mogul emperor has been reduced to "a comic book villain."

But for Aurangzeb's detractors, he embodied evil and was nothing but a religious bigot.

Right-wing historian Makkhan Lal, whose books on Indian history have been read by millions of high school students, said ascribing political motives alone to Aurangzeb's acts is akin to the "betrayal of India's glorious past."

It is a claim made by many historians who support Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party, also known as the BJP, or its ideological mothership, the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, a radical Hindu movement that has been widely accused of stoking religious hatred with aggressively anti-Muslim views. They say India's history has been systematically whitewashed by far-left distortionists, mainly to cut off Indians — mostly Hindus from their civilizational

"Aurangzeb razed down temples and it only shows his hate for Hindus and Hinduism," said Lal.

The debate has spilled over from academia to angry social media posts and noisy TV shows, where India's modern Muslims have often been insulted and called the 'progeny of Aurangzeb."

The insults have led to more anxieties among the country's significant Muslim minority who in recent years have been at the receiving end of violence from Hindu nationalists, emboldened by a prime minister who has mostly stayed mum on such attacks since he was first man of the BJP. The dislike for Aurangzeb extends far beyond Hindu

elected in 2014.

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Modi's party denies using

"India's history has been

manipulated and distorted to appease minorities. We

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to denigrate Muslims. It also says it is merely trying to out

nationalists. Many Sikhs remember him as a man who ordered the execution of their ninth guru in 1675. The commonly held belief is that the religious leader was executed for not converting to Islam. Some argue that Modi's invocation of Aurangzeb's name at the Sikh guru's birth anniversary in April serves only one purpose: to further widen

anti-Muslim sentiments. Despite referencing Aurangzeb routinely, Hindu nationalists have simultaneously tried to erase him from the public sphere.

In 2015, New Delhi's famous Aurangzeb Road was renamed after protests from Modi's party leaders. Since then, some Indian state governments have rewritten school textbooks to deemphasize him. Last month, the mayor of northern Agra city described Aurangzeb as a "terrorist," whose traces should be expunged from all public places. A politician called for his tomb to be leveled, prompting authorities to close it to the public.

A senior administration official, who didn't want to be named because of government policy, compared efforts to erase Aurangzeb's name to the removal of Confederate symbols and statues — viewed as racist relics — in the United States.

"What is wrong if people want to talk about the past and right historical wrongs? In fact, why should there be places named after a zealot who left behind a bitter legacy?" the official asked.

BUSINESS

Russia, Turkey in accord on Ukraine ship corridor

Grain export terms would see seaports demined, sanctions on Moscow eased

By Ayse Wieting and Suzan Fraser

ANKARA, Turkey - Russia and Turkey voiced support Wednesday for the creation of a safe maritime corridor in the Black Sea so Ukraine can export grain to global markets amid an escalating world food crisis. But Russia demanded that the Black Sea be demined and Turkey said allowing the Ukraine exports should be accompanied by easing Western sanctions against

Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu hosted his Russian counterpart Sergey Lavrov in Ankara for discussions focused on a U.N. proposal to free Ukraine's Black Sea ports and allow 22 million tons of grain sitting in silos to be shipped out.

The two allies appeared eager to dictate the terms of Ukraine's exports - which have been strongly affected by Russia's invasion of Ukraine — and cement further control over the Black Sea.

Ukraine is one of the world's largest exporters of wheat, corn and sunflower oil,

but the war and a Russian blockade of its ports have halted much of that flow, endangering food supplies to many developing countries. Many of those ports are now also

Russia has urged Ukraine to remove mines near the Black Sea port of Odesa to allow safe grain exports. Russian President Vladimir Putin has vowed that Russia will not use the demined corridors to launch an attack on the key Ukrainian port of Odesa but Putin also insisted earlier this year that he had no plans to invade Ukraine. Lavrov said Wednesday that Russia is ready to formalize that guarantee for Odesa.

Moscow also insisted on its right to check incoming vessels to make sure they don't carry weapons into Ukraine.

Ukraine, which was not represented at the Ankara meeting, says the Russian promise not to use safe shipping corridors to attack Odesa is not credible. The head of Ukraine's grain traders group has also scoffed at Turkey's effort to negotiate a deal with Russia to allow Ukrainian grain exports, saying that Ankara is not powerful enough to act as a guarantor against Russia. "Turkey doesn't have enough power in the Black Sea to guarantee security of cargo and Ukrainian ports," Ukrainian Grain Union chief Serhiy Ivashchenko said

He said it would take three to four months to remove sea mines, and said it was the Russians who have mined the area.

Both Russia and Turkey would benefit from the export plan. The corridor would also allow Russia to safely export its food and fertilizer. Turkey says it would facilitate and protect the transport of grain in the Black Sea — a move cutting out other possible shippers.

The Turkish minister also backed easing Western sanctions against Russia if it participates in the plan, saying that seemed 'quite legitimate."

While grain exports are exempt from Western sanctions, Russia claims that sanctions on its shipping make it impossible to ship its grain to global markets. European Union officials emphasized again that the bloc did not impose sanctions on food.



severely drag down global economic growth and push up inflation this year, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development said Wednesday. China's "zero-COVID" policies, which have further scrambled manufactur-

Economic

ing supply chains, also are weighing on a world economy that was just starting to rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Paris-based OECD said, becoming the latest institution to slash its growth forecast and underscoring the dimming economic

The OECD, a club largely of wealthy nations, expects the global economy to expand 3% in 2022, down from the 4.5% that it predicted in December.

Inflation is forecast at nearly 9% for the OECD's 38 member countries, which include the United States, United Kingdom and many European nations, nearly double the previous estimate.

The World Bank, the United Nations and the International Monetary Fund have made similar downgrades to their economic forecasts recently.

"Russia's war is indeed imposing a heavy price on the global economy," OECD Secretary-General Mathias Cormann said at a press conference in Paris. He urged Russian President Vladimir Putin to "stop this atrocious, senseless war now."

The organization released its forecast as it gears up for a two-day annual meeting starting Thursday, attended by government ministers and featuring video remarks by Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

The OECD warned that the economic turmoil will hit the poor the hardest.



More workers are putting more money into 401(k) accounts, according to Vanguard, which found employers' auto-enroll programs saw 93% of eligible workers save in the 401(k) last year. The voluntary participation rate was just 66%. JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP 2017

Inertia boosts 401(k) savings

People's natural inclination to do nothing, plus automation, increasing plan participation

By Stan Choe Associated Press

NEW YORK - More workers are following experts' advice in saving for retirement, even when finances feel precarious. It's happening because 401(k) plans are using a simple human trait to guide people: our inclination to do nothing.

More workers are putting more money into their 401(k) accounts, and more often putting it into a reasonable mix of investments. That's according to Vanguard's latest look at nearly 5 million accounts of 401(k) and similar plans it keeps records on.

Even amid heavy uncertainty about the economy last year, retirement savers socked away an average of 7.3% of their pay, not including employer matches, according to Vanguard. That's the same level as a year earlier, when the pandemic threw everything into doubt. And it's up from 6.9% in 2012. Vanguard recommends workers save 12% to 15% of their pay, including any employer match.

More than four out of five workers eligible to contribute to their 401(k) were doing so last year, at 81%. That also held steady from a year earlier, and it was up from 74%

The reason for the resiliency? In many cases it was because employers made the moves for them.

Over the years, employers have become more likely to enroll workers automatically. Employers have also been starting workers off contributing higher amounts, again automatically. And as the years roll on, plans are set to automatically increase the percentage of those contributions.

Workers can opt out of such measures, but now they have to take an extra step to get out of saving for retirement rather than to get in. And in the field of study known as behavioral finance, that can lead to better outcomes. In other words, inertia wins.

Many workers are also avoiding too-risky or too-conservative investment mixes because their savings are in a target-date retirement fund that takes care of such decisions — again because it's the automatic choice in many plans.

In part because of that, the median 401(k) balance rose to \$35,345 last year. That's up from a median of \$33,472 a year before and from \$27,843 in 2012.

To see how powerful inertia can be, consider the difference in participation rates at plans where employers automatically enroll workers versus those where employees must sign up themselves. The auto-enroll programs saw 93% of eligible workers save in the 401(k) last year. The voluntary participation rate was just 66%.

A challenge going forward may depend on whether the "Great Resignation" continues. When workers leave their jobs either to move to a new one or to retire, they can cash out their 401(k) balances. Experts discourage this, calling it retirement "leakage."

Not only can cashing out invite taxes and penalties, it also means workers don't benefit from the magic of compounding their savings over the years.

Such cash-outs often occur among lower-income workers with smaller balances, said Amber Brestowski, head of advice and client experience for Vanguard Institutional Investor Group.

Brestowski said Vanguard is working with employers in hopes of keeping cashouts low. The industry is also working on ways to move workers' savings from their old employer's 401(k) plan to their new ones to stem leakage, again automatically.

BUSINESS BRIEFING

Spirit postpones vote on buyout

Spirit Airlines, the target of a budget airline bidding war, is postponing a Friday shareholder vote on whether to accept one of those buyout offers after a flurry of counterproposals from Frontier Airlines and JetBlue.

The decision Wednesday to delay a vote comes two days after JetBlue improved its

Spirit, based in Miramar, Florida, had scheduled a special shareholders meeting at the end of the week asking investors to sign off on what has been its preferred offer, from Denver-based Frontier Airlines.

JetBlue has offered more money than Frontier, but Spirit has rejected those bids saying the deal would face a greater likelihood of being shot down by regulators.

Germany: Nuke phaseout to stay

BERLIN - German Chancellor Olaf Scholz said Wednesday that his government remains committed to phasing out nuclear power despite concerns about rising energy prices and possible future shortages due to Russia's war in Ukraine.

Germany shut down half of its six nuclear plants in December and the remaining three are due to cease production at the end of this year as part of the country's long-running plan to phase out conventional power plants in favor of renewable energy.

But the war in Ukraine has renewed fears that Germany's power-hungry economy might be badly battered if Russia decides to suddenly cut natural gas supplies. Opposition parties have called for the lifetimes of Germany's nuclear plants to be extended.

Amazon: 4B bad listings prevented last year

By Haleluya Hadero Associated Press

Amazon, which has been under increasing pressure to tackle counterfeit products, said in its second-annual report that it prevented 4 billion bad listings from making it onto its site and got rid of more than 3 million phony products last year.

The results, released Wednesday, were mixed compared with 2020, when Amazon blocked 10 billion listings and got rid of 2 million phony products. The Seattle-based e-commerce juggernaut also saw a decrease in complaints of intellectual property infringement in 2021 while growing the number of active brands on its site.

According to the report, Amazon stopped

more than 2.5 million attempts to create fake accounts on its third-party marketplace, where sellers can list their products directly to consumers. That number is about a 58% decline from the attempts it said it stopped in 2020, which the company credits to its vetting process and other efforts to deter bad actors.

But Juozas Kaziukenas, the founder of e-commerce research firm Marketplace Pulse, said it can be hard to independently know what actually caused those declines whether it's Amazon's policies or other factors

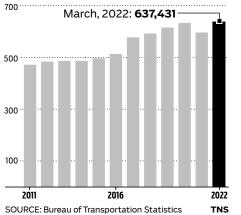
Counterfeit sellers have long plagued Amazon and other e-commerce retailers, including eBay. And Amazon has stepped up efforts to fight the problem in recent years amid heightened scrutiny from brands and lawmakers pushing for anti-counterfeit legislation.

Amazon backs a House version of an online retail bill that would require online marketplaces to collect contact and financial information from high-volume sellers and disclose some of the information to consumers. Amazon had opposed an earlier Senate version of the bill, which would require online retailers to gather information from a larger group of third-

Amazon said it implemented a program last year that made it harder for bad actors to register for selling accounts by requiring one-on-one conversations with a company team member to verify their identity.

Airline employment

Employment at U.S. passenger airlines, scale in thousands of full-time equivalent jobs in March of each year



BUSINESS

Pratt & Whitney, Lockheed Martin defend F-35 fighter jet, its engine

By Stephen Singer Hartford Courant

The chief financial officers of Raytheon Technologies Corp. and Lockheed Martin Corp. on Wednesday defended the F-35 fighter jet and its engine following another critical government report that said it too often fails to meet targets for mission capable rates.

An analyst asked Raytheon CFO Neil Mitchill at an industry conference about a "second source potential" that would require Pratt & Whitney to compete for Pentagon contracts 11 years after it won a battle in Congress and became the sole supplier of the engine.

We're very happy with the F-135 engine performance right now," he said. "It's an incredibly safe engine for a single-engine

The plane is being upgraded, but

has never had an engine upgrade, Mitchill said. The most cost-effective solution would be an upgrade to increase power, range and thrust. The network of facilities to repair and maintain the engine "is already in place," he said.

Jay Malave, chief financial officer at Lockheed Martin, said in a separate appearance at the conference that the defense giant is "pretty bullish" on the plane. The F-35 already competes for international business and is judged on "performance, acquisition price, maintenance cost, operating cost," he said.

In testimony to Congress April 28. an official of the U.S. Government Accountability Office said the F-35 "continues to not meet its targets for mission capable rates, a measure of the readiness of an aircraft fleet, or its reliability and maintainability metrics."

"A leading driver of the F-35 not being mission capable has been engine issues," said Diana Maurer, director of the GAO's Defense Capabilities and Management.

The F-35 has limited spare engines, leading to more than 9% of F-35 aircraft being inoperable in February. In contrast, the F-16 and other jet fighters have a certain number of spare engines to meet their wartime needs and "almost always have an operable engine," she said.

The criticism is not new. U.S. Rep. Adam Smith, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, last year called the F-35 a "rathole" and suggested the U.S. consider cutting its losses by investing in competing fighter jets. A single F-35 costs as much as \$80 million.

The F-35 is the Department of Defense's most ambitious and costly weapon system in history,



An Israeli F-35 fighter jets performs during an air show, over the beach in the Mediterranean coastal city of Tel Aviv, on May 9, 2019. JACK GUEZ/AFP/GETTY IMAGE

with costs estimated at more than \$1.7 trillion over its 66-year life cycle, according to the GAO.

Congress sided with East Hartford-based Pratt & Whitney in 2011, ending General Electric Co.'s chances of also building engines for the F-35. It's become a lucrative franchise for Pratt & Whitney. which posted revenue last year of \$18.2 billion. Discontent has been

mounting over the engine's cost and problems with sustainment maintaining and sustaining the engine over its lifespan. As a result, GE has again been mentioned in a possible rematch with Pratt & Whitney to compete for Pentagon contracts.

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Apple's software update for iPhones includes big changes

By Michael Liedtke Associated Press

Apple this week provided a peek at upcoming tweaks to the software that powers more than 1 billion iPhones and rolled out two laptops that will be the first available with the next generation of a company-designed microprocessor.

Apple spent most of the opening day of its annual developers conference, which began Monday and ends Friday, touting the next versions of software for the iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch and Mac computers instead of the sleek devices that established it as a technology trendsetter and the world's most valuable company.

The iPhone's next operating system, called iOS 16, will revamp the look of the device's lock screen and make mostly minor improvements to the current software. The software updates have become increasingly important in recent years as iPhone owners have been holding on to their existing devices for longer than they once did.

One of iOS 16's most noticeable differences will occur on the iPhone lock screen.

The new software, which will be released this fall as a free download, will allow users to anchor their favorite apps as small widgets on the lock screen.

The new software also will enable the lock screen to display live notifications, such the status of a Uber ride on its way to pick up a passenger. Other authorized notifications will come in from the bottom of the screen instead of the current distribution from the top in an effort to avoid clutter on the display.

The iPhone's messaging system will be revamped so texts can be edited after they are sent or even rescinded in their entirety if the sender has a change of heart. Those options will only be available when both users are using Apple's messaging app for texting.

The Apple Pay service that's part of the iPhone's digital wallet is adding a new financing feature likely to be popular as soaring inflation rates squeeze more household budgets. The option will allow consumers to stagger the cost of any purchase made through Apple Pay over four installments completed within a six-week period with no



Apple CEO Tim Cook stands next to a display of newly redesigned MacBook Air laptops Tuesday during a developer's conference in Cupertino, California. **JUSTIN** SULLIVAN/ **GETTY**

additional fees. Similar financing is already offered through digital services such as Affirm.

Several of the new features for Apple's Macs and iPads are designed to make it easier to sync with the iPhone for things like making video calls. Other tools will enable more apps to run side by side to perform multiple tasks on the same screen.

Helping people toggle from one Apple device to another is one of the main reasons that the company began making Macs that run on the same kind of chips that power the iPhone and iPad in late 2020.

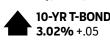
Now Apple in putting the next generation of its Mac chip in its two most popular laptops, the MacBook Air and MacBook Pro, which the company said will be available in stores at some point next month. The MacBook Air will sell for \$1,200 and the MacBook Pro will sell for

The event was held at Apple headquarters in Cupertino, Calif.

MARKET RUNDOWN

Thursday, June 9, 2022







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Helen Bennett

Jan. 6 panel is a symptom of democracy's failure



Jonah Goldberg

On Thursday, the Jan. 6 committee will make its televised primetime debut, some 519 days after the event that gave the committee its name and purpose.

For its ardent supporters, the

committee's mission is nothing less than an effort to save democracy. For its harshest critics, it's both a waste of time and part of that partisan witch hunt against Donald Trump.

I see the committee as being at least as much a symptom of our democracy's failure as a mechanism for its salvation. First, because the committee should not be necessary and, second, because the forces that made it necessary threaten to undermine democracy even now.

I don't mean the committee shouldn't be necessary simply because the attack shouldn't have happened. That's obviously true. The storming of the U.S. Capitol was a heinous act, and Trump's role in it, even under the most generous interpretation, was simply villainous. Even if he had no intent to incite a mob, he neglected his

constitutional duty to stop one as it was attacking the Capitol on his behalf.

The committee shouldn't be necessary because the proper response and remedy to the attack should have been a rapid impeachment and conviction. The defeated president suborned a mob to harass Congress into invalidating a presidential election. A Congress with an iota of institutional and constitutional sense would have done so within a few days of the attack. All of the vital evidence and testimony sought by the committee should have been sought by a Senate trial.

But congressional leaders saw themselves as leaders of their parties first. Nancy Pelosi rightly wanted to impeach Trump, but she pursued a strategy that made a bipartisan impeachment harder. There was no serious consultation with Republicans about how to craft an article of impeachment or even an effort to write one that would have made it more difficult for some Republicans to vote against it. An article simply laying out that Trump was derelict in his duty on Jan. 6 would have garnered more GOP support.

For the benefit of the incoming president and her party's agenda, Pelosi dawdled in

sending the article of impeachment to the Senate, letting passions cool and partisanship reassert itself. Pelosi was happy to have Liz Cheney denounce Trump in a floor speech, but Cheney, then the third-ranking Republican in the House, should have been offered a manager slot in the impeachment trial (I have it on good authority she was not).

Meanwhile, even Republicans who wanted Trump gone were happy to let Democrats do the heavy work. As Mitch McConnell reportedly told his advisers: "The Democrats are going to take care of the son of a b---- for us." That strategy didn't work because dodging responsibility allowed Washington's zero-sum logic to prevail.

McConnell, still the Senate majority leader, delivered a speech that placed blame at Trump's feet - and then he voted to acquit Trump. The logic of his decision seemed to be that a majority leader has to be a majority follower.

Since then, we've learned that the Jan. 6 attack was itself merely a manifestation of a broader, deeper and more deliberate assault on democracy. It was a last-ditch strategy, the bloody climax after numerous efforts to fraudulently overturn the election failed, including a ferocious pressure campaign on Vice President Mike Pence who put the Constitution above party and personality cult.

I'm sure the Democrats on the committee believe they are doing something patriotic. But it also seems they are divided on actions to take after the hearings. Some, led by Rep. Jamie Raskin, D-Md., want to use this opportunity to push for a progressive wish list of "reforms," including abolishing the Electoral College (as if Cheney, a representative of Wyoming, would ever support that). Apparently, doing what is necessary and has bipartisan support — specifically strengthening the Electoral Count Act to clarify the vice president's role — just isn't exciting enough.

It's unknown whether the committee will present more shocking revelations that could change minds. If the Democrats on the committee seek to leverage the hearings for a partisan agenda, they will undermine all of their work. And that's exactly what many Republicans want.

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Echoes of Watergate in Trump probe



Carl P. Leubsdorf

This week's Jan. 6 committee hearings concern the most serious allegations of presidential wrongdoing since Watergate. They come almost exactly 50 years after the break-in that spawned the scan-

dal leading to President Richard Nixon's resignation. And they carry some striking

Hopefully, clarity will emerge from the first public testimony to the House committee that has been examining the insurrection that halted for some hours the congressional certification of the 2020 election results.

The details of the two scandals are very different. In essence, however, both reflected serious abuses of power by presidents with an inflated view of their author-

In Watergate, Nixon sought to use key government agencies, notably the CIA and FBI, to cover up the involvement of key White House aides and campaign committee staffers in the June 17, 1972, break-in of Democratic Party headquarters at the Watergate Office Building.

Also, he was protecting an array of other illegal actions including "dirty tricks" against his Democratic rivals, and burglarizing the office of the psychiatrist treating Daniel Ellsberg, who leaked a secret Pentagon study of the Vietnam War.

Uncovering the scandal's full scope took months of hearings by a special Senate committee, the pressure of a federal judge, a 15-month probe by two special prosecutors and the House Judiciary Committee's impeachment inquiry. Key evidence stemmed from the July 1973 disclosure that Nixon had taped his White House conversations. After investigators won a series of court battles for the tapes, they proved his guilt and forced his resignation.

At one point, seeking to mitigate the damage, the White House released edited transcripts of the conversations. Though specific expletives were deleted, the rawness of Nixon's language and his willingness to flout the law gave Americans an insight that undercut his public support.

The Jan. 6, 2021, demonstrations preceding the invasion of the U.S. Capitol climaxed President Donald Trump's weekslong propagation of unproven fraud claims and a series of failed efforts to pressure key state officials to reverse the

Members of the House panel hope to determine to what extent Trump was directly responsible for the most serious assault on the nation's democratic institu-



Supporters loyal to then-President Donald Trump gather Jan. 6, 2021, outside the U.S. Capitol in Washington. JOSE LUIS MAGANA/AP

tions since the Civil War, and to decide if there are grounds for the Justice Department to prosecute him.

As a journalist who wrote about the political aspects of both scandals — I headed the Senate staff of The Associated Press during Watergate — I see one essential similarity and two basic differences.

The similarity is that both involved presidents willing to go beyond the law to keep themselves in office.

As Garrett Graff points out in his massive new history "Watergate," the scandal stemmed from Nixon's paranoia. It prompted aides to undertake all sorts of illegal acts to damage political "enemies" and maintain secrecy, lest they be called to

Despite some dogged reporting, primarilv by The Washington Post, they largely succeeded until after Nixon's 1972 reelection. But, in the end, the truth came out.

Trump tried to persuade officials in key states to reverse Joe Biden's popular-vote victories. Failing that, he sought to pressure Vice President Mike Pence and Congress to reject Biden's electoral-vote

Nixon and Trump suggested there were no constitutional constraints on their presidential powers. "When the president does

it, that means that it is not illegal," Nixon said in a post-presidential interview with David Frost. "I have the right to do whatever I want as president," Trump said in a 2019 speech.

The major difference is that, in the end, Nixon was an institutionalist who accepted the verdict of the courts and Congress. When he lost a close 1960 presidential election, he rebuffed aides urging him to challenge the results. When congressional leaders told him in 1974 that he no longer had enough votes to survive, he resigned.

Trump refused to concede defeat, contending without any factual basis that millions of fraudulent votes were cast in both his 2016 victory and 2020. Seventeen months after Congress affirmed Biden's triumph, he still says it was rigged, spreading widespread doubt about an election in which 158 million Americans voted with-

out significant irregularities. By accepting the verdict against him, Nixon enhanced public support for our governmental system. By making repeated

unproven claims, Trump is weakening it. Perhaps the biggest difference is that today's more partisan landscape protects a

charged president.

In 1974, a crucial factor was that some Republicans and conservative Southern

Democrats, allied ideologically with Nixon, acknowledged his guilt and withdrew their support. When the House Judiciary Committee voted on articles of impeachment, seven Republicans and three Southern Democrats joined the majority. Facing the same prospect in the Senate, he resigned.

In today's more partisan politics, Republicans face party-wide pressure to back Trump publicly, regardless of any private doubts. After the House impeached him for his Jan. 6 role, all but seven GOP senators voted to acquit him.

Afterward, Republican Leader Mitch McConnell said, in essence, that Trump was guilty but that a former president couldn't be impeached.

Still, facts remain important. While reasons for the Watergate break-in remain hazy, subsequent probes answered Republican Sen. Howard Baker's oft-repeated question: "What did the president know and when did he know it?"

Hopefully, the current inquiry will answer the crucial Jan. 6 question: "What did the president do and when did he do

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Climate change is military's most persistent strategic threat

By James Stavridis Bloomberg Opinion

The U.S. military has its hands full at the moment with Russia's vicious war in Ukraine and U.S.-China tensions over issues from human rights to sovereignty over the South China Sea. But it cannot delay taking action to address climate change, the most persistent strategic threat we face.

As a young naval officer, I took for granted the many beautiful home ports at which our fleet was berthed. Now, rising sea levels are threatening many of them. Both Norfolk, Virginia — the largest naval base in the world – and Mayport, Florida, stand to see significant loss of waterfront berths by mid-century. Climate change puts our strategic base network at risk.

It also raises demands on scarce naval resources, as it brings more unpredictable, highly destructive storms. I've participated in many humanitarian relief efforts in response to natural disasters and they are only becoming more frequent.

At the same time, climate change poses a new national security challenge by expanding ocean geography. The Arctic

has been largely frozen over most of the year throughout recorded history. Now. the ice is breaking up, shipping lanes are opening for much of the year, and rich hydrocarbon deposits are becoming accessible. Thus, the Arctic is becoming a broader venue for great-power competition between Russia and NATO countries, including the U.S., Canada, Denmark, Iceland and Norway, and soon perhaps Sweden and Finland.

Climate change also heightens tensions between the developed world and developing countries in Latin America, Africa and Asia by creating drought conditions in already fragile agrarian societies.

'Climate change is one of the most destabilizing forces of our time, exacerbating other national security concerns and posing serious readiness challenges," said Navy Secretary Carlos Del Toro. The Navy and the Army have recently released white papers on the subject, laying out the prob-

What's most needed, however, are concrete ideas to address them.

First and foremost, the Defense Department must reduce its carbon footprint. It needs to shift to renewable energy sources for day-to-day transportation operations; harden its facilities, especially coastal ones, to withstand violent storms, erosion and rising sea levels; and increase its use of recycled products while reducing use of

A second urgent step is to apply the Defense Department's considerable research and development capability to climate challenges. To manage its emerging Arctic responsibilities, for example, the Pentagon must develop hardened seagoing vessels (cruisers and destroyers, for example) capable of surveillance and combat operations in the North; train ground and air forces for the harsh conditions of the Arctic coastline; consider a significant increase in icebreaker ships, some of them nuclear-powered; and set up logistics systems appropriate for the region.

To face the opening Arctic and rising sea levels, violent weather and drought-induced humanitarian crises, the DOD needs a dedicated environmental think tank to generate ideas for things such as new military nuclear-energy systems, storm-hardened materials, pop-up housing and easily transportable food stocks. All of these should be designed to be moved globally

via military air and naval capability.

The U.S. national security establishment must also cultivate greater international cooperation on climate challenges. The U.S. Coast Guard is especially well-positioned to interact with other navies on fisheries enforcement, controlling pollution and dumping activities, and plastics

The Defense Department should also work with other U.S. agencies, including the Department of Homeland Security on responding to national and international natural disasters. The Departments of State and Commerce and the Environmental Protection Agency all have strong environmental programs that could be synchronized with the DOD efforts. A joint interagency task force exists for counter-narcotics. Why not create one to work collectively on climate-related challenges?

As governments and private corporations put more energy and attention into climate protection, the U.S. national security establishment must also face what may be the threat of the century.

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Head of Household/Jefe De Familia Date of Birth/Fecha Nacimiento:

Head of Household/Jefe De Familia Social Security Number/Seguro Social:

Signature (Head of Household)/ Firma (jefe de familia): _ Date/ Fecha;

housing offers

East Hartford Housing Authority, Waiting List Random Draw Lottery/Lista de espera sorteo

6/9/2022 7229299

de lotería, RO. Box 380616 East Hartford, CT 06138-0616 No Hand-Delivered Applications Will be Accepted/ No se aceptarán solicitudes entregadas a

All Preliminary applications must be mailed and postmarked no later than Midnight, August 4, 2022 – no exceptions Todas las solicitudes preliminares deben enviarse por correo postal y con sello postal a más tardar a la medianoche del 4 de Augusto de 2022- sin excepciones.

Faxed or emailed preliminary applications will not be accepted – no exceptions
 No se aceptarán solicitudes preliminares enviadas por fax o correo electrónico-sin excepciones

Incomplete preliminary applications will not be accepted - no exceptions Solicitudes preliminares incompletas no serán aceptadas- sin excepciones

All preliminary applications must be signed and dated by the Head of Household or it will be treated as incomplete Todas las solicitudes preliminares deberán ser firmadas por el jefe de familia o serán tratadas

Only ONE preliminary application per household/address - no exceptions Solo UNA solicitud preliminar por hogar/dirección- sin excepciones

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY/Igualdad de Oportunidades de Vivienda

Additional Preliminary Applications available on East Hartford Housing Authority's website www. ehhousing.org This form may be used as is or duplicated.

Aplicaciones preliminares adicionales disponibles en el sitio web www.ehhousing.org de La Autoridad de Vivienda de East Hartford. Este formulario puede ser utilizado como esta o duplicado.

Connecticut

ADDENDUM NO. 1
TO BIDDING AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS TOWN OF PLYMOUTH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY INVITATION TO BID

SLUDGE HAULING AND DISPOSAL 2022 NOTE: This addendum shall take precedence

over and become part of the original project bidding and contract documents, plans, proposal, and notice to contractors 1. BID DATE

In BID DATE

The Bid Due Date has been changed to Tuesday, June 28th at 11:30 am

The Town of Plymouth WPCA is seeking bids for qualified vendors to transport and dispose of sewage sludge from the Water Pollution Control Facility, located at 35 Canal Street in Pequabuck CT.

Sealed proposals will be accepted by Jason Patrick, Plant Manager of the Town of Plymouth WPCA, at 35 Canal Street, Pequabuck CT 06781 until Tuesday, June 28th at 11:30 am All bids must be marked Plymouth WPCA Sludge Hauling and Disposal. On Tuesday, June 28th at 11:30 am All bids will be opened publicly and read aloud in the WPCA Conference Room. 6/9/22 7228982

Subcontractor/Sunnlier Bids Wanted - Project

Subcontractor/Supplier Bids Wanted - Project consists of roofing in East Hartford. We are looking for bids for GAF Roofing Materials Dumpster and Carting Services, GAF Dumpster and Carting Services, GAF Certified Roofing Installers, and Sanitation Services for Rental of Portable Toilets. MBE/ WBE/DisBE Encouraged to Provide Pricing. Bid documents available upon request. (203) 639-1368 or via email AVT111@aol.com. Bids will be received until 06/18/2022. This contract is subject to state set-aside and contract compliance requirements. AA/EOE. 6/9/22. 6/10/22 7229048

TOWN OF PORTLAND, CT - BOARD OF ED INVITATION TO SUBMIT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - #2022-14 ATHLETIC TRAINING SERVICES

The Town of Portland-Board of Education until 11:00 AM. EST on June 23, 2022 to be received by the Finance Dept. located in Room 204, Portland Town Hall, 33 East Main Street/PO. Box 71, Portland, Connecticut

The Town of Portland is seeking services of a qualified physical therapy company/ sole proprietary to perform athletic training services for the District.

The specifications for the Request for Proposals are available for pick up at the Finance Dept. Office, Room 204, Portland Town Hall, 33 East Main Street, Portland Connecticut 06480 during normal business hours, or may be requested by email addressed to trobinson@portlandct.com.

Any submittals received after the time and date set forth above shall be rejected. All submittals should be clearly marked - #2022-14 Athletic Training Services.

Submittals will be opened at the Town of Portland's convenience on or after the Request for Proposals due date. Note that all information submitted in response to the Request for Proposals is subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

The right is reserved by the Town of Portland-Board of Education to reject any or all submittals, to waive any informalties or defects in submittals, to obtain such supplemental information as may be necessary to review submittals and to accept the Request for Proposals that, in the judgment of the Town of Portland will be in the Town's best interests.

Town of Portland, CT – Board of Education Submitted By: Tom Robinson, Dir. of Finance Dated: June 9, 2022

The Town of Portland is an Equal Opportunity

Legal Notice CSO Solicitation No. 2401 Request for Letters of Interest Task Order Claims Analysis & Technical Related to Contract Disputes and Contract Language

Connecticut Department Transportation (Department) is seeking to engage three (3) professional consulting firms to perform provide task-based services to assist in the prevention, analysis, mitigation, defense, and resolution of construction tion, defense, and resolution or construction claims or disputes and to assist in the analysis of Critical Path Method (CPM) construction schedules. More detailed information regarding this assignment can be found at: https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/Consultant-Selection/Consultant-Selection/

Connecticut Department of Transportation
An Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action 6/9, 6/12/2022 7226417

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT (NAA) PROGRAM JUNE 16, 2022

A Public Hearing will be held in Hartford City Hall Council Chambers, 550 Main Street, 2nd Floor on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 5:00 pm to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the NAÁ Proposals submitted to the City for next fiscal

year funding. The location of the public hearing is wheelchair accessible. Language interpreter(s) and interpreters(s) for the hearing impaired will be made available if requested in advance.

The Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) is a program of the State Department of Revenue program of the State Department of Revenue Services (DRS) designed to encourage fund-ing for municipal and tax exempt organiza-tions by providing a corporation business tax credit for businesses wishing to make cash contributions to qualifying entities. Up to \$5 million in tax credits will be made available in the State of Connecticut through the 2022

will be submitted to the State Department of Revenue Services (DRS) before July 1, 2022

On or about September 15, 2022, the State the City of Hartford with a listing of approved m proposals. Between September 15 2022 and October 1, 2022 area businesses 2022 and October 1, 2022 area businesses electing to support organizations with approved program proposals must complete and submit an NAA-02 Application Form with the State Department of Revenue Services. Formal approval of any tax credits granted is expected from the Department of Revenue Services in January 2023.

For inquiries, please contact Ronnie Vazquez NAA Liaison, at (860) 757-9284 or via email

The Neighborhood Assistance Act Program is authorized as per Chapter 228a of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S., 12-631 - 12-638) and Public Act 95-268.

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VIN # 1HGCR3F89FA022049 WILL BE
AUCTIONED AT METRO AUTOBODY &
TOWING,INC 722 WETHERSFIELD AVE
HARTFORD, CT ON JUNE 10,2022 AT 2:00
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Charles Giggins Jr. South Windsor Steven E. Fisher Florence E. Zaterka Southington Louise A. Wygonowski Suffield

Mary S. Dewey Torrington James P. Mcginnis Vernon Florence E. Zaterka

Wethersfield Brian L. Mcgann James C. Murphy, Jr. Windsor Joseph G. Gallant

* Denotes name listing only. Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Brothers, Michael



Doctor Michael J. Brothers, beloved husband of Elizabeth (Varhue) Brothers died on June 7, 2022 at the home he loved on Apple Tree Lane in Portland, CT. Michael was born on January 18, 1956, in Taunton, MA to the late Beverly and John Brothers. Michael graduated from the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine in

1981. He first practiced at Clinton Veterinary Hospital with Doctor Arthur Scheld, who became a lifelong friend. In 1985, Mike purchased and renovated Middletown Veterinary Hospital in Middletown, where he created a family practice. He not only cared for, with love and compassion his animal patients, he also cared for their owners as well, and this is what set Middletown Veterinary apart from all the rest. Dr. Brothers was loved and respected by his staff, all which stayed many years to work beside him.

years to work beside him.

Mike loved fast cars. He raced at Lime Rock Speedway for many years and later became an instructor and taught others to race. He loved driving his Porsche to work every day, but eventually needed a four door vehicle to accommodate his family of six rescue canines who accompanied him to work each day.

In addition to his wife, he leaves a son, Andrew (Amy) of Minneapolis. MN: a younger sister Carol (John)

of Minneapolis, MN; a younger sister, Carol (John) Costova of Raynham, MA; and his aunt and uncle, Lorraine and John Miller of Taunton, MA. He also leaves brothers-in-law, Bill Varhue of Middletown, and Walter (Mary Ellen) Varhue of Milton, Vermont. Additionally, he leaves numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Mike was fortunate to have many lifelong friends, notably Jackie Smaga, Jane Piggott and Donna DeRota. He also had a special friend, Oleg Vechesloff, with whom he spent many happy days over the past few years. Mike cherished all his pets, including Slicker Ann, Zoe, Buddy John, Sadie Lucille, Addie Mae, and Murphy. He leaves Gwendolyn, Hannah, Sully and Woody, who will miss

him terribly. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, June 13th at 10:00 am at Saint Francis of Assisi Church in Middletown. Burial will follow in Indian Hill Cemetery. Family and friends may call on Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Doolittle Funeral Home, 14 Old Church Street, Middletown. For friends who prefer, donations in Mike's memory may be made to Saint Francis of Assisi Church, 10 Elm Street, Middletown, CT 06457. To share memories or send condolences to the family, please visit www.doolittlefuneralservice.com.

Dewey, Mary S.

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Mary S. Dewey, 97, of St. Augustine, FL and formerly of Suffield, CT, beloved wife of the late Donald Dewey, passed away on Friday, June 3, 2022 in St, Augustine, FL. Born June 3, 1925 in Enfield, CT daughter of the late Henry and Catherine (Tompkins) Bugden. Mary was noted for being a wonderful baker and seamstress and she used her talents throughout her long life to bless many. She is survived by three children, Cindy Butler and her husband Bob of St. Augustine, FL, David Dewey of St. Augustine, FL, Marshall Dewey of Charlottesville, VA; a sister, Florence Stroiney of Feeding Hills, MA; a brother, Henry Bugden and his wife, Jean of Union, CT; three grandchildren, Mark Prato and his wife, Sarah, Michael Butler and his wife, Michelle and Jeffrey Butler and his wife, Molly; and several great grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, Judith Prato; two brothers, William Bugden and Benjamin Bugden; three sisters, Bertha Pitney, Rose Quagliaroli, and Grace Bugden. Her family will receive friends on Sunday, June 12, 2022 from 3-6 PM at Nicholson & Carmon Funeral Home, 443 East St. N. (Rt. 159), Suffield. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Monday, June 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church, 446 Mountain Rd., Suffield followed by burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Suffield. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Sacred Heart Church, 446 Mountain Rd., Suffield, CT 06078. To leave on-line condolences please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Wehern, Lauren Claire (Kidder)

Lauren Claire Wehren (Kidder), 79, of Rocky Hill passed away on June 3, 2022. Lauren was born May 1, 1943 in Winchendon, MA to Robert and Norma Kidder (Brehio). After attending Gardner public schools she received her RN degree from St. Vincent School of Nursing, Worcester, MA. On June 25, 1966 she married her high school sweetheart Richard Wehren and became a full time mom after her first of two children, her dream. Lauren enjoyed her Red Sox and UCONN games and later would enjoy bird watching and her grandchildren. Lauren was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and her son Matthew. She is survived by her daughter Anne Wehren Hanly and husband Eric, daugh ter-in-law Vanessa, sister Marilyn McVey of Colorado, sister Elaine Danisienka and her husband Frank of New Hampshire and grandchildren Alex, Carina and Anthony. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, June 10th at 11a.m. In St. Josephine Bakhita Church, St. James Campus, 767 Elm St. Rocky Hill. Interment will follow in Center Cemetery, Rocky Hill. Family and friends are invited to the Giuliano-Sagarino Funeral Home, 511 Brook St. Rocky Hill, on Friday from 9:30-10:30a.m. For online guestbook please visit www. brooklawnfuneralhome.com.

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Fisher, Steven E.



Steven E. Fisher, 52, of Broad Brook passed away unexpectedly on Friday, June 3, 2022. Steve was born in Hartford, CT, on August 20, 1969, the son of Clifford H. and Margaret (Duquette) Fisher Jr. He grew up in South Windsor and graduated Class of 1987. He went on to Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston earning a Bachelor of Science degree

majoring in Building Construction Technology. Upon graduating Steve went to work for S.G. Milazzo & Co. in Rocky Hill where he interned during college. Steve was currently employed at Partitions Inc., in East Hartford for the last seven years. Besides South Windsor, Steve lived in Rockville and Manchester before settling in Broad Brook where he resided the last 13 years. Steve had a thirst for knowledge and would immerse himself in reading a genre of books. He had a passion for music in reading a genre of books. He had a passion for music and especially enjoyed listening to his favorite rock band, Van Halen and was a long-time Steelers fan. Steve was a car enthusiast and had a passion for classis muscle cars. He meticulously restored his favorite, a 1970 Chevelle SS 454, which was his pride and joy. Steve enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and his willingness to help others was immeasurable. Over the years he was instrumental in organizing events and celebrations, especially the Halloween festivities. Steve had a generous heart and enjoyed helping others. He donated to many great causes, always ing others. He donated to many great causes, always wanting to do what he could to make the world a better place. He loved spending time with his beloved dog, Chester, a golden retriever, who predeceased him in 2021. Along with his parents, Clifford and Margaret, Steve leaves his brothers, James and his wife Elizabeth, Daniel and his wife Elizabeth, Daniel and his wife Elizabeth, Daniel and his wife Elissa, and John Fisher; his niece, Emma, nephews, Timothy, Darren and Brayden; and his aunts and uncles, Jo-Ann and Michael Dybka, and John and Joyce Duquette. He was predeceased by his brother Michael Fisher. Steve touched the lives of many people and leaves behind many friends who have been a part of his life since childhood. Steve will be greatly missed, more than words can say. His family will receive friends for calling hours on Monday, June 13, 2022, from 5-8 p.m., at the Samsel & Carmon Funeral Home, 419 Buckland Rd., South Windsor. Funeral services and burial will be private at the request of his family. In liquid of flowers mamorial dares quest of his family. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Steve's memory to the Channel 3 Kids Camp and/or Connecticut Humane Society. For online condolences please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Giggins Jr., Charles



Charles S. "Chuck" Giggins Jr., 89, of Simsbury, passed away peacefully at McLean Healthcare on June 2, 2022. Born in New London on January 8, 1933, the son of the late Charles S. Giggins Sr. and Ethel (Drury) Giggins. As a child Chuck moved frequently be-cause his father was in the US Coast Guard. He returned to Connecticut to accept a posi-

tion as an Aerospace Engineer at Pratt & Whitney, where he worked for at Pratt & Whitney, where he worked for many years prior to retirement. In his earlier days Chuck enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was interested in his family's history and investigated his genealogy. However, his greatest joy was spending time with his small circle of friends and family. He is survived by his grandsons, Todd Miltimore and his wife Amanda of New Hartford, Corey Miltimore and his wife Danielle of East Windsor, his son-in-law, Stephen Miltimore of Granby, his greatgrandsons Samuel and Jeremiah Miltimore, and his and leremi half-brother, Wayne Giggins of FL. He was predeceased by his parents, his wife, Marion Novitsky Nazarsky and his cousin Candace Miltimore. Funeral services will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial Contributions in Chuck's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105. For condolences, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.



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Mansur, David P.



David P. Mansur, 90, of Glastonbury, loving husband of over 69 years of Diane (Denney) Mansur, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 4, 2022 surrounded by his beloved family at Salmon Brook Health Care and Rehabilitation Center in Glastonbury. Born in Middletown on February 25, 1932, a son of the late Leon and Gertrude (Van Slyke) Mansur, he had been a resi-

dent of the Glastonbury/East Hartford area for over 60 years. Dave was a graduate of Portland High School, class of 1950 and was a proud veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. Prior to his retirement, he was employed for many years by the town of Glastonbury Board of Education. He was a member of the Glastonbury Senior Center where he enjoyed attending and participating in various events and activities. Dave was also a talented wood worker and "handy man" who liked repairing projects around his home and his family homes. Most of all, Dave was a proud and devoted husband, father, and grandfather who enjoyed spending time with his entire family.

In addition to his beloved wife Diane, Dave is survived by a son, David P. Mansur, Jr. of East Hartford; three daughters, Donna L. Beaulieu and her husband Richard of East Hartford, Debra Cofiell and her husband Jay of Glastonbury, and Dawn Smith and her husband Larry of Wrentham, MA. He also leaves two brothers, Winfield Woodings and his wife Nicole of Rhode Island, Charles Woodings and his wife Skay of Idaho; a brother-in-law, Harry Collings of California; nine cherished grandchildren; eight adored great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, and dear friends. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Leon Mansur; a sister, Margaret Collings; and a grandson, Kyle Cofiell

Funeral service and burial with military honors at Green Cemetery in Glastonbury will be héld at a later date and time to be announced. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Dave's memory may be made to a favorite charity of the donor's choice. The D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford has been entrusted with the care of the funeral arrangements. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeh.com.



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Henry, Ph.D., David Carl

David Carl Henry, Ph.D. a longtime resident of Mansfield Center died peacefully Sunday June 5, 2022 after a long illness. He was seventy six. David was born in Brookings, South Dakota, to Mary DuBrucq and Leighton Ballew. He was raised by his mother and his adoptive father, Carl Henry with loving help from his maternal

grandmother, 'Nangy'.
David received his Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and English Literature from the University of Connecticut in 1968. He received a MS degree in Psychology from Southern Connecticut State University and his MA and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Connecticut. Since 1992 he worked as a psychologist at The University of Connecticut, Student Health and Wellness Service where he provided individual and group therapy to students and clinical supervision to trainees. He retired from UConn in 2015 and maintained a small private practice in Mansfield Center, CT.

David was a student of psychotherapy and truly valued the many hours he spent in clinical practice and supervision. He maintained personal relationships with his supervisees and they continued to value his wisdom and humor long after they finished training. He was also an avid fly fisherman and spent many happy hours pursuing trout across the streams of the northeast. He was devoted to his family - to his wife of 40 years, his daughters of whom he was so proud and his brother. He lived with integrity, directness, warmth and humor; he will be greatly missed.

David is survived by his wife, Marianne Barton, of Mansfield Center, his daughters, Megan Henry of Washington DC (and her husband Christopher Spencer), and Kelsey Henry of Berlin, Germany, his brother Stephen Henry (and his wife Karen Henry), his niece Sarah, his nephew Brendan and stepsisters Hannah Henry, Emily Banks, Elizabeth Hess and Faye Hess.

Funeral services will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Chapel, 42 North Eagleville Road at the University of Connecticut on Saturday, June 11th at 10 a.m. Burial will follow at Mansfield Center Cemetery, on Cemetery Road in Mansfield, CT. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in David's name to the Psychological Services Clinic at the University of Connecticut (www. psychservicesclinic.UConn.edu) or to Trout Unlimited. To send an online expression of sympathy, please visit www.adamscremationct.com

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McGann, Brian Lee



Brian Lee McGann, 83, of Wethersfield, passed away peacefully on June 4th, 2022 at his home of the last year, The Residence of Ferry Park, Rocky Hill. Brian was born in Hartford

on June 1, 1939. He was the son of the late Thomas William McGann and Mary (Kotowski) McGann. He was predeceased by his wife of

27 years, Kathleen (Hewins) McGann. Brian and Kathy enjoyed a quiet life together in Wethersfield along with

Brian grew up and spent many days of his youth in the South End of Hartford. He was a very handsome, charismatic and athletic young man. He graduated Bulkeley High School in 1958. He later spent many years in Newington raising his family. Brian worked for several companies through his life as a very successful salesman. He was an avid golfer, sharing many a game with his brother and good buddies at Goody Park. He loved to play cards and take trips to the casino for fun. His family and friends will remember his strong spirit, his sense of humor and his zest for life.

His greatest love of all was music. Brian's passion for music and drums started as a young boy and was carried throughout his entire life. At age 12, he started performing publicly in his grandfather's polka band. From there on, Brian would continue to share his gifts of music and song in many nightclubs in the Hartford area. His band had a loyal following for many years when live entertainment was popular at nightclubs. Many people enjoyed a dance or two listening to Brian McGann and his band at dancehalls and weddings. Brian never lost his passion for music, or the joy he had in sharing it. At the end of his career, he found happiness in performing at nursing homes for the elderly, singing favorites to the residents and making them smile.

Brian will forever be remembered by his daughter Karen (McGann) Pedemonti, his son Brian Lee McGann Jr., and son-in-law Craig Pedemonti all of Berlin. He will live forever in the hearts of his two grandchildren Cody and Karlee Pedemonti.

Brian is survived by his cherished brother and lifelong best friend Thomas William McGann Jr, his wife Carol (Susi) McGann and their two daughters Audra and Eileen. He is also survived by his first love and former wife, Katherine Susi.

Brian's family would like to extend their gratitude to the staff of Ferry Park, Rocky Hill for their care and support. A sincere thank you to Noemi Cruz who took a special role in his care and became a dear friend.

At Brian's request, there will be no wake or funeral service. Instead, put on some Frank Sinatra, play it loud... and he will be there.

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Pehota, Donald R.



Donald R. Pehota, 87, of Marion, CT, formerly Middletown, beloved I band of Anna Mae (Siecienski) Pehota passed away on Tuesday June 7, 2022 at LiveWell in Plantsville, CT. He was born on January 3, 1935 in Rockfall, son of the late John and Caroline (Koba) Pehota, the youngest of ten children. He was a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School, Class of 1953. He at-

tended the Culinary Institute of America and served in the US Air Force 1954-1958. Donald worked for the State of CT with over 30 years of service, retiring as Director of Food Service at Cedarcrest Hospital. Donald is survived by his wife of 65 years, Anna Mae; son, Joseph Pehota and his wife Laura of Fairfield; daughter, Carolyn Bean and her husband John of Marion; brother, Edward "Gene" Pehota and his wife Judy of Middletown sister, Stasia D'Aquila of East Hampton; and six grandchildren whom he lovingly referred to as his "ducks": Elizabeth, Michael and Jenny Pehota, Jonathan Bean and his wife Akanksha, Ashley Bean Macri and her husband Kyle, and Elise Bean.; and also several nieces and nephows. and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Thomas Pehota; sisters, Julie Pehota, Florence Sokoloski, Lorentina "Nelly" Beckley, Frances McElveen, Helen Iverson, and Cecelia Stannard. After retirement, Donald's joy was being with his family and friends. He will be remembered as a "gift"... his heart ready to love and laugh; hands ready to work, and arms ready to embrace. Calling hours will be held on Friday, June 10th from 5 to 7 p.m. at Biega Funeral Home, 3 Silver St. Middletown. The Funeral Liturgy will be held on Saturday June 11, 2022 at 10 a.m. at St. Pius X Church, 310 Westfield St. Middletown. Burial will be on Monday, June 13th at 11 a.m. at Calvary Cemetery, Middletown. Those who wish may send memorial contributions to St. Pius X Church, 310 Westfield St. Middletown, CT 06457: Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, Vision Way, Bloomfield, CT 06002 or LiveWell 1261 South Main St. Plantsville, CT 06479. To share memories or express condolences online please visit www.biegafuneral-

home.com. Please sign guestbook at courant.com/obituaries

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Thomas James Lozott (Tom) was born on April 7, 1960 in Syracuse, NY to parents James and Patricia (Moore) parents Lozott. He grew up in the Syracuse area with his brother Michael and two sisters, Suzette and Carol. After high school Tom left the Syracuse area and lived in California and Rhode Island before moving to Connecticut

in 1995. He began his career at Frontier Communications the same year and worked there until his passing. In 1998 he met his future husband, Clifford E. Cowles (Cliff). Tom and Cliff have spent the last 24 years together making memories with family and friends, attending dozens of concerts and caring for their dogs. Tom loved walking Mimi and stopping to talk with neighbors each day. neighbors each day.

Family and friends meant the world to Tom. He leaves behind his husband, Cliff and their dog, Mimi. Tom will be greatly missed by Adam Cowles and his wife, Jennifer, of Middletown, CT and Ryan Cowles, his wife Jennifer, and their daughter, Lyla, of Woodstock, CT He will also be missed deeply by Brett Burdess and his wife, Leslie, and their son, Evan, of Wethersfield, CT. Tom is survived by his father lames of Syracuse NY Tom is survived by his father, James of Syracuse, NY and brother Michael, also of Syracuse, NY. He loved his nieces, Nicole and Sophia, and nephew, Frank. Tom leaves behind more friends than could possibly be mentioned, and it is only for fear of missing a name that they are not listed. He loved all of you deeply. Tom was welcomed into the next life by his mother, Patricia, and sisters Suzette and Carol.

Tom was a devoted fan of "The Grateful Dead" and traveled around the country attending over fifty concerts throughout his life. He was meticulously organized and unfailingly kind and helpful.

Animals were incredibly important to Tom, and in lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to an animal-related charity, like the Connecticut Humane

Calling Hours will be held on Saturday, June 11 from 12:00-2:00 at Brooklawn Funeral Home in Rocky Hill.

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McGinnis, James Patrick



James Patrick McGinnis, 62, of Torrington, passed away Saturday, June 4, 2022. Born in Hartford, son of Louise (Verrengia) LaPenna of Canton and the late James J. LaPenna, he had lived in Torrington the past 3 years. Besides his mother Louise, he leaves his sisters Pamela Murray of Canton and Samantha LaPenna of Enfield; his niece Melissa

Holcomb and her husband Paul and a nephew Dylan LaPenna; great nieces and nephews , Paul, Ava, and Matthew Holcomb, and Jason and Kaitlyn LaPenna; and aunts, uncles, and cousins. Besides his father he was predeceased by a brother Robert McGinnis and a nephew David Alan Murray. Calling hours will be Monday June 13, 2022, from 8:30 am to 10:15 am at the Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center, 301 Country Club Road, Avon followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 am at Holy Trinity Church, 53 Capitol Avenue, Hartford. Burial will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford. In Jim's memory, please do a random act of kindness for someone in need. For directions or condolences please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Rodegher, Dorothea "Thea" (Bonk)



Dorothea "Thea" (Bonk) Rodegher, 81 of East Hartford, loving wife to Oreste "Russ" Rodegher, peacefully entered heaven June 5, 2022, reuniting with her late son, Paul S. Kleef, who passed in 2017. Thea was born June 21, 1940 in Blitar, Island of Java, Indonesia (former Dutch East Indies). She was the daughter of the late Cornelius and Anna (Knoop)

Bonk. In 1950, after the declaration of Indonesian independence, Thea and her family immigrated to the Netherlands, where she came into adulthood and eventually started her own family. In 1970, she moved her young family to the United States.

Thea attended Marnix College in the Netherlands, where she studied Liberal Arts. She was a dedicated employee for over 30 years for the Town of East Hartford as a Para-Professional, retiring in 2009. A vibrant force of life, Thea had many passions to include jive and line dancing, traveling, listening to Country and Jazz music, attending concerts, cooking and baking; using plenty of her favorite ingredient, butter; and all things nature, birds, flowers and the great outdoors. greatest passions later in life was adopting and rescuing German Shepherds, she loved being surrounded by her "bubbies". Above all, there was nothing more important to Thea than her children and grandchildren. She lived and breathed for her family; she treasured her role at the head of the family as "Oma" more than anything in the world. Thea was especially looking forward to the arrival of her great-granddaughter, Luna Théanna, later this summer.

In addition to her husband Russ, Thea will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by her adored family: a son, Rene P. Kleef, with his wife Annette of East Hartford; a daughter in law, Doris C. (Donato) Kleef of Manchester; six loving grandchildren, her "honey bunches", Gina, Paul, Kyle, Colton, Hunter, and Dylan Kleef; and a cherished great-grandson, Payton Levesque. Thea also leaves behind several extended cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws, and stepchildren whom she cherished. She was a great friend to so many, leaving behind her best friends Barbara Conter, Miriam Zorzi, and her childhood best friend of over 70 years, Patricia Jones; whose daughter, Vanessa (Jones) Éleveld, was loved and regarded as her own.

Thea's family will receive friends and relatives at the D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter St. East Hartford on Saturday, June 11, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., immediately followed by a Prayer Service to be celebrated by Fr. Michael DeVito. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to one of Thea's favorite charities; The ASPCA, 520 8th Ave., 7th Floor, New York, NY 10018, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 / donors@stjude.org, or Protectors of Animals, 144 Main St Unit O, East Hartford, CT 06118. To extend online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.desopoeh.



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DiPietro, Nancy T.(Tuzzolino)



Nancy "Tuzzy" (Tuzzolino) DiPietro, 75, of Manchester, loving wife of 50 years of Chester J. DiPietro, peacefully passed away on Saturday, June 4, 2022 with her caring family by her side at Hartford Hospital after a long illness. Born in Hartford on October 15, 1946, a daughter of the late Joseph A. and Lillian (Cipolla) Tuzzolino, she had been a resi-

dent of East Hartford for most of her life prior to moving to Manchester 21 years ago.

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Nancy was a graduate of Mount St. Joseph Academy in West Hartford, class of 1964 and earned her B.A. degree and Master's degree in education from Central Connecticut State University in New Britain. She was a former high school teacher at Wethersfield High School and later worked many years for the East Hartford Teacher's Union. Nancy loved solving word games, reading, and following the UConn Women's basketball team. Most of all, she was a proud and devoted wife. team. Most of all, she was a proud and devoted wife, mother, and sister who cherished spending time with

her entire family.

Along with her beloved husband Chet, Nancy is survived by her son, Marc J. DiPietro and his wife Alecia, of Wethersfield; her sister, Lucia T. Miles of East Hartford; her brother, Joseph A. Tuzzolino, Jr. of East Hartford; several nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

A memorial prayer service celebrating Nancy's life will be Friday, June 10, 2022 at 6 pm at the D'Esopo-East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford. Nancy's family will receive relatives and friends at the funeral home chapel on Friday afternoon from 4 – 6 pm. Private burial will be held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Nancy's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis TN 38105. Nancy's family would like to Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Nancy's family would like to extend their sincere gratitude and appreciation to her doctors, nurses, and entire staff at Hartford Hospital for the special care, professionalism, and support given to Nancy and her entire family. For online expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeh.



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Sargisian, Lauretta J.



Lauretta Jean Sargisian, 82, of passed peacefully at home on May 27 2022. She was the beloved wife of Vahan Sargisian for nearly 60 years. Lauretta was born in Houlton, ME on June 26, 1939, the eldest daughter of the late Jerome and Josephine Vincent. She grew up in Hartford and was a graduate of Bulkeley High School. Lauretta and Vahan

were married on June 23, 1962. After working a short time in the insurance business, she and Vahan moved to Newington where they raised their family. Lauretta's greatest joy in life was time spent with her family and close friends. She was a devoted wife and loving mother and grandmother who never missed a baseball game, dance recital or any other important event in the lives of her children or grandchildren. Grandma Lauretta carried on the tradition of Friday night dinners that started with her parents. The house was always filled with love, laughter, stories, and great food. In addition to her husband, Vahan, left to cherish her memory are her children Dennis and Stephanie Sargisian of Tolland and Teri Lin and Steven Davino of Burlington; her three adored grandchildren Megan Sargisian and Chris Berner of Windsor, Madison Sargisian and her fiancé Matthew Mulry of Tolland and Benjamin Davino of Burlington; her sister, Joyce Charron, of Newington and her brother, Ronald Vincent and his wife Sally, of Minnesota. She was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Robert Charron, and her brother and sister-in-law, Sam and Rose Sargisian. She also leaves a host of lifelong Rose Sargisian. She also leaves a nost of lifelong friends. Her funeral service will be held on Friday June 10, 2022, at 10:00am at the Church of Christ Congregational, 1075 Main Street, Newington. Lauretta will be lovingly laid to rest at a later date. There will be a reception at the church immediately following the service. Newington Memorial Funeral Home, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington will be serving the family. To Share a memory with Lauretta's family, please visit us at www. duksa.net.



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Zaterka, Florence "Flo" E. (Harvard)



Florence "Flo" E. (Harvard) Zaterka, 88, formerly of South Windsor, beloved wife of 67 years to the late Theodore "Ted" Zaterka (2020), passed away peacefully on Friday, June 3, 2022. Flo was born August 5, 1933 in Worcester, Massachusetts to the late Pierre and Lea (Marin) Harvard. Flo and Ted moved to South Windsor in 1961. A devoted

Mom, Flo worked part time close to home. She managed a laundromat in South Windsor and was employed by B & M Processing Company in South Windsor before her retirement. While at B&M Processing, Flo showed her flair for practical jokes. They made the mistake of putting Flo in charge of the Christmas Grab Bag. When it came time to hand out the gifts, each one somehow had her name on it. A devoted friend, Flo was proud of having several close friends since kindergarten. Laurie Harris, Leanna Kuras and Audrey Dinsmore were a tight knit, fun group. Flo and Ted enjoyed traveling, spending many winters in St Petersberg, Florida. Their travels included Aruba, Hawaii, Cancun and St. Martin, where they enjoyed spending time at the beach. She especially enjoyed a trip with her girlfriends to Austria and Germany. ´Flo was a fantastic gardener and was known for her prized dahlias. They were huge, and vibrantly colored. Her love of colors was evident in her perfectly coordinated outfits. She is survived by her children, Donna Roy and her husband David of Vernon, Karen Tachlykov of Windsor, and Peter Zaterka and his companion Mary Beth Rossi of South Windsor; two grandchildren, Kimberly Roy of Manchester, and Alexander Tachlykov of Windsor, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends. She was predeceased by her seven siblings. A Mass of Christian Burial for Flo and Ted together will be celebrated on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Church, 42 Spring Street, Windsor Locks. Please go directly to the church. Interment will follow in Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home in Vernon is caring for the arrangements. For online condolences and guest book, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Dock, Susanne (Mauro)



Susanne (Mauro) Dock, of Glastonbury, beloved wife of Roger L. Dock, died May 14, 2022. Friends may call at the Mulryan Funeral Home, 725 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury TODAY (June 9) from 4-6pm. A mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday June 10 at 10am in Our Lady of MT. Carmel Church, 2819 Whitney Ave., Hamden. Burial will fol-

low in St. Mary's Cemetery, Hamden.

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Murphy, Jr., James C.



James Christopher Murphy Jr. (Jimmy), 63, of Wethersfield, died peacefully at Hartford Hospital, Wednesday, June 8, 2022. Jimmy was the loving son of Edith (Murphy) Barry. He was predeceased by his father James Christopher Murphy and his stepfather Peter Barry. Jimmy was so fortunate to have two loving Dads in his life. Jimmy had a full and ac-

tive social life. He had a love of music, with a large collection of records, tapes, and CDs. He touched and enriched everyone he encountered. He couldn't wait to get to the next sporting event, music concert, parade, or circus. His nieces and nephews looked forward to Jim attending their games with him cheering them on. Jim grew up in East Hartford, CT. He loved swimming in his backyard pool, diving for pennies, and cannonballing with his neighborhood friends. He was the "King of the Picnic Tables" at Camp Kennedy and Camp Harkness. Jimmy was participant in the CT Special Olympics in his early years. Forty years ago, he moved to his new home in Wethersfield, CT. On summer weekends Jim could be found riding the surf at Green Hill Beach, RI. In his later years, he became part of the HARC Eastern Drive family where he experienced many happy times with the staff and his friends. He was very lucky to have a second family. He also enjoyed his time at the HARC day programs and the Life Enrichment Program. The family expresses their sincere appreciation for all the love and hard work that Jim's HARC family provided him.

Jim is survived by his sisters Debbie (Peter), Sharon (Don), Gail (George), and his brother Dan (Amy). He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews whose lives he greatly impacted

A final thank you goes to all the wonderful caregivers at Hartford Hospital.

Calling hours are at Farley-Sullivan Funeral Home, 34 Beaver Road, Wethersfield from 5:00pm to 7:00pm on Friday, June 10, 2022. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday June 11, 2022 at 10:00am in the Church of the Incarnation. Burial to follow in Cedar Hill Cemetery, 453 Fairfield Ave, Hartford. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Jimmy's memory to HARC, 90 Asylum Ave., Hartford CT. https://harc-ct. org/. To leave a condolence, or for further information, please visit FarleySullivan.com.

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Schena, Marilyn



Marilyn "Molly" (Anderson) Schena, 84, passed away on June 1st 2022. She was surrounded by her loved ones who will carry on her legacy as a kind-hearted soul, family member and companion. member and companion. Molly was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and comnunity member She

vived by her husband of 60 years, Anthony Schena; her children, Joe Schena and his wife Lillian, Betty Dombrowski and her husband Stan, and Jacqueline Schena; her grandchildren, Stanley Dombrowski Ir. and grandchildren, Stanley Dombrowski Jr. and his significant other Kelly Mowchan, Melissa

Bengtson and her significant other Gershon Rosen, Tony Dombrowski and his wife Lauren, Katelyn Dombrowski, and Ariana Bengtson and her significant other Mario Lito. Molly is also survived by her siblings, Betty Aglio, Joan Calvo, Roger Anderson, and her devoted sister Sharon McKenna, who was especially supportive to Molly during her last years. Molly loved her home, her husband, and her family. Molly was predeceased by her parents William and Julia Anderson; her sister June Baretta; her brothers Billy Anderson, Teddy Anderson, George Anderson, and her baby brother Calvin Anderson. Molly kept a clean house, made an incredible pasta dish, and cooked like a chef. For decades, every Sunday, she got up at 6am to cook a buffet of food for her family's 6pm dinner. She was heavily involved in her grandchildren's lives and helped raise them. She attended pasta parties, orchestra concerts, field & ice hockey games, and swim meets among other sport matches. In fact, Molly was a beloved supporter of the Newington Swim Team.

Molly worked for many years as a bank teller at Federal Savings Bank (now Webster bank) in the center of Newington. She enjoyed meeting every person that came through that bank door. She was a social butterfly and cherished getting to know others and making memories. Molly was active in the Senior Center in Newington where she would interact with friends and attend community events.

The good that people do lives on in the souls of those who live after them. Molly's love, light, and energy will carry on in her family for generations to come. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday,

June 10th at 10:00 a.m. DIRECTLY at St. Mary's Church, Newington. Molly will be lovingly laid to rest at St. Mary Cemetery, New Britain. Newington Memorial Funeral Home, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington, is serving the family. To share a memory with Molly's family, please visit us at Duksa.net.



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Wygonowski, Louise A.



Louise Audrey (Poisson) Wygonowski, 89, of Skipper Lane, Southington, passed away on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at home after a brief illness. She was the beloved wife of 64 years of Joseph Thomas Wygonowski. Louise

wife of 64 years of Joseph Thomas Wygonowski. Louise was born on June 1, 1933 in Livermore Falls, ME, one of four children of the late Henry and Doris Poisson.

Louise moved to Rocky Hill, CT in 1937. After graduating from Wethersfield High School, she worked at the Aetna in Hartford in CT. Louise married Joseph Wygonowski in 1957. They resided together in Southington for the next 65 years. She was a fan of all Boston sports teams, but her true allegiance was to the Boston Red Sox. Louise was most happy to volunteer at little league baseball games to serve food and snacks, and on occasion partake of a well-done hot dog herself. She and her husband enjoyed going around the state of CT to see their sons play baseball and softball, making new friends and cheering the teams on. Louise was an avid bowler who enjoyed the friendly competition. As a member of the First Congregational Church of Southington, she was a regular attending church and volunteering at church events. Louise was a long-time active member of the Orchard Valley Garden Club of Southington. She also volunteered at Bread for Life and the Calendar House for many years. Louise loved her chocolates and was well known for making highly praised chocolate cakes. Louise was predeceased by her husband, Joseph Wygonowski. She is survived by her son Ronald Wygonowski and his wife Pamela of Southington CT and her son Steven Wygonowski and his wife Sharron of Cromwell. Louise leaves behind her sister Rachel Robbins of Cromwell, four grandchildren, Alex Harken; Thomas, Heather and Kendra Wygonowski; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was prede-Alex Harken; Thomas, Heather and Kendra Wygonowski; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother, Mark Poisson, and her sister, Rowene Kendall. The family would like to extend a special thank you to her caregivers, Anita Skrzypczak and Hania Grabowska from Euro American Connections & Homecare, for their compassion and excellent care they provided. Louise was able to enjoy many great moments at home with family and friends. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 9th, 2022 (today) from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Plantsville Funeral Home, 975 S. Main Street, Plantsville. A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 10, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the First Congregational Church of Southington, 37 Main St, Southington. Private burial will be at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Southington. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Congregational Church of Southington, 37 Main St, Southington, CT 06489 or Macular Degeneration Association, 5969 Cattleridge Boulevard, Suite #100, Sarasota, FL 34232. For online condolences and directions please visit www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com.

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is forever. Your golden heart stopped beating, your hard working hands at rest. God broke my heart to prove to me, he only takes the best.

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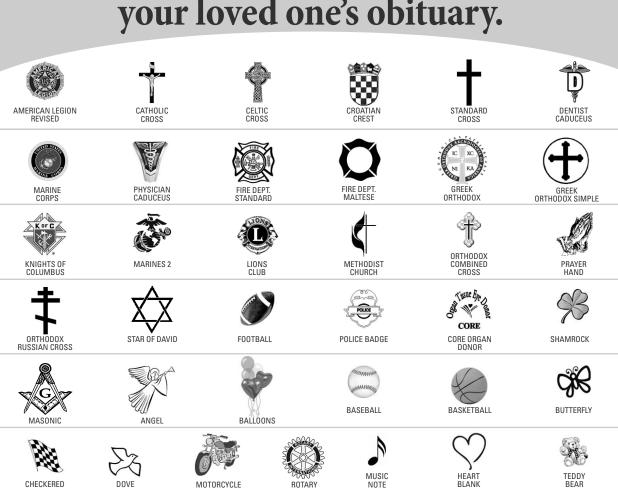
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Stefanowski offers 6-part tax plan

Lamont says this year's cuts enough

By Christopher Keating Hartford Courant

MERIDEN — Republican candidate Bob Stefanowski called for nearly \$1 billion in additional tax cuts Wednesday, while Gov. Ned Lamont countered that he is satisfied with \$600 million in cuts recently passed by the legislature.

Stefanowski offered a six-part plan that covers multiple taxes, including blocking a planned increase in the state's diesel tax that will take effect on July 1. The amount of the tax increase has not been announced, but officials say it could range from 10 cents to 15 cents per gallon under a complicated formula that is based on the wholesale price of diesel fuel.

"People are struggling right now," Stefanowski, 60, told reporters outside a wholesale fuel company in Meriden. "As I go around the state, you see examples of people making tough choices about what to buy at the grocery store versus renting a DVD versus buying medicines. People have been planning for a vacation all year. There are a lot of people canceling them because of the price of airfare, the price of gas. We have to do something now."

Lamont, though, rejected Stefanowski's call to not only block the diesel tax increase but also stop

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Gov. Ned Lamont and Republican candidate Bob Stefanowski, shown during a 2018 debate, are jousting over tax cuts. **COURANT FILE PHOTO**



It's the busy season for Jessica Goyette. There are so many festivals, weddings, corporate events, special occasion parties and even backyard barbecues that she has made fire dancing her full-time career. **JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

'BREATHTAKING'

West Hartford's 'Firebolly' is so busy she's made fire dancing her full-time gig

By Pam McLoughlin | Hartford Courant

Spinning flaming props and eating fire really draws the crowds around Jessica Goyette at community events, but Goyette has gotten so much more than attention from her unusual career as a fire spinner and dancer.

"I have a lot of fun doing it and it seems to bring joy to the audience," Goyette, 25, said. "I like the confidence it gives me. It's really challenged me and pushed me to learn and do new things. It taught me to be patient but determined."

Goyette, whose stage name is "Firebolly," is in her busy season, performing at so many festivals, weddings, corporate events, special occasion parties and even backyard barbecues that it's now her full-time gig.

Michelle Hollander hired Goyette for Hall High School's safe grad party last year, and when the performance began everyone left other activities to watch.

"She was amazing. It's so unusual," Hollander said. "It's something you don't see every day. It's amazing that people can grace-

fully play with fire."

Goyette, originally from Wethersfield, has been fire spinning and fire dancing since she was 18. She was turned onto the performance style when she attended a music festival. Goyette used to work other jobs as well, but the fire gig became full-time 18 months ago.

There is no formal fire-spinning school, so she began by learning the ropes from other fire performers. She also attended "fire festivals," where classes were held during the day and they would perform at night.

"When you're growing up your parents say, 'don't play with fire.' When you see someone playing with fire, eating fire, dancing with it, it is definitely very interesting to people."

How did she get the stage name Firebolly? She was given the nickname by a friend long before her career centered on fire. As the story goes, Goyette liked the cinnamon whiskey Fireball, and one night her friend drank a little too much and when he meant to ask Goyette, "Do you want another Fireball?" the word came out "Firebally"

Although fire always carries risk, she said, "it's a very controlled thing once you know what you're doing."

Goyette has numerous fire props, including hula hoops, jump ropes, wands and metal fans. The props that flame are wrapped in a Kevlar wick and the wick is soaked in white gas, the kind used

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Stefanowski rebukes Lamont's tweets

Satirical country song about Connecticut mentions marijuana, internet gambling

By Mark Pazniokas CT Mirror

Gov. Ned Lamont's tweet of an 18-second snippet from a satirical country song that bemoans the difficulty of rhyming anything with Connecticut, while mentioning marijuana and internet gambling as among its blessings, has Republican Bob Stefanowski singing the blues.

To be precise, Stefanowski's gubernatorial campaign released a letter Tuesday in which he asks Attorney General William Tong to investigate whether the governor's tweet violates a state law regulating cannabis advertising or if state money was used to produce an accompanying video.

The letter raises several questions, including whether Stefanowski or anyone on his campaign has listened to the full 3 minutes and 45 seconds of the song, "First Ever Connecticut Country Song," or just the

18-second excerpt.

It also is a reminder of the headaches that social media accounts can produce for elected officials, especially when satire is involved. The offending portion, accom-

panied in the tweet by video produced by the governor's office, comes nearly 3 minutes into a tune. Singer-songwriter Rusty Gear

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Agency confirms Powassan fatality

State Department of Public Health reveals virus casualty

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

The Connecticut Department of Public Health confirmed the first fatal case in 2022 of Powassan virus, a tick-borne illness, on Tuesday, according to a release.

The female patient lived in the New London area and was between 90 to 99 years old, according to the release.

She was admitted to a local hospital after experiencing a "fever, altered mental status, headache, chills, rigors, chest pain and nausea," the release said. Her condition worsened, and she became unresponsive for two weeks before passing away on May 17.

She had a tick bite two weeks prior to experiencing symptoms and further tests confirmed antibodies for Powassan virus, the release said

"This incident reminds us that residents need to take actions to prevent tick bites now through the late fall," Health Commissioner Manisha Juthani said.

Powassan virus is typically spread by infected black-legged or deer ticks, Juthani said. Symptoms take between one week to a month to develop symptoms of Powassan virus, but an infection takes "as little as 15 minutes after the tick first attaches," according to the release.

"DPH stresses the use of insect repellent this summer and avoiding high-risk areas, such as tall grass, where ticks may be found," Juthani said. "It's also important to check carefully for ticks after being outside which can reduce the chance of you and your family members being infected with this dangerous virus."

While most people infected with the virus likely experience no symptoms or a mild flu-like illness, some people will develop severe illness affecting the central nervous system. About one out of 10 cases of severe illness are fatal and about half of survivors experience long-term health problems.

Severe cases may begin with fever, vomiting, headache, or weakness and rapidly progress to confusion, loss of coordination, difficulty speaking or seizures. There is no vaccine nor a specific treatment for Powassan virus-associated illness. Severe illness is treated by supportive therapy which may include hospitalization, respiratory support, and hydration.

Ticks are a growing menace

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Muslim prison guard fired, allegedly filed false report

By Pat Eaton-Robb Associated Press

HARTFORD - A Connecticut prison guard has been fired after an investigation found he fabricated a complaint about being the target of anti-Muslim harassment at work.

The Correction Department confirmed Tuesday that Officer Shem Brijbalis was terminated on April 7 for

violating the department's "policies and directives related to harassment and unprofessional behavior."

The department began an investigation in May 2021 after Brijbilas filed a complaint about a fake incident report found inside the Cheshire Correctional Institution that included numerous racial slurs and references to white suprem-

Brijbilas said he was targeted by the document, which was made to look as if he had written it.

Part of it reads, "The white man has done so much for us People that we need to shut up and take what is given without complaints."

The incident led to calls for a hate crimes investigation from the Connecticut chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

"The embarrassment I feel is indescribable and at no point do I feel safe in such a volatile and hateful work environment and I am concerned for my safety and mental health wellbeing," Brijbailas wrote at the time.

But in a statement to Associated Press on Tuesday, the Correction Department said its own investigation found that Brijbalis "did not unknowingly come upon an offensive document while working at the Cheshire Correctional Institution rather, it was determined, he created the document and left it in a public area, where it was found."

The Department said it also found that Brijbalis made false statements to both the Correction Department and police.

No criminal charges have been filed.

Efforts to reach Brijbalis on Tuesday were not successful. Neither he nor his attorney replied to emails seeking comment and a phone number linked to him was no longer in service.

Farhan Memon, the chairman of Connecticut chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, said he did not know enough about the investigation to comment on Brijbalis' firing.

Tax plan

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collecting the entire 40 cents per gallon diesel tax for the rest

"The diesel tax — over half of that is paid by out-of-state tractor trailer trucks, many of which don't stop in the state," Lamont told two reporters in an interview Wednesday after a speech to commercial real estate agents at a West Hartford hotel. "Most of the diesel tax is paid for by big tractor trailers going through.'

Like officials in the fuel industry, Lamont said that he does not know how much the diesel tax will increase on July 1. Regarding Stefanowski's statement that the tax could go up by 15 to 20 cents per gallon, Lamont said, "People are making up numbers out there."

Lamont said the Democratic-controlled legislature had found the right combination of about \$600 million in tax relief and \$3.5 billion in additional debt payments that were approved during the regular session that ended in early May. That total is in addition to \$1.6 billion in pension payments last year.

"We're paying down an awful lot of pension [debt] this year," Lamont said. "I think we've got a good balance between paying down our debt, fixing our infrastructure and the biggest tax cut in the

history of the state. We can

always do more. Everybody

else promises tax cuts. I think

we've delivered." Despite requests from Republicans, Lamont has no immediate plans for a special session to cut additional taxes, said Max Reiss, Lamont's chief

spokesman.
"I think right now you're going to have a significant tax cut dropping into people's pockets over the next two to three months," Lamont said. "I think it's going to represent \$1,000 to most folks and that will make a real difference now, not at the end of the year."

During his appearance in Meriden, Stefanowski said the legislature should immediately reduce the state sales tax to 5.99%, down from the current 6.35%. Lawmakers should also eliminate the 1% surcharge on prepared foods at supermarkets and restaurants, he said.

"We never should have had it in the first place," Stefanowski said of the food tax that started under Lamont in October 2019 to help close a budget deficit before the state started racking up the largest surplus in state history. "That is a regressive tax, just like the sales tax is regressive."

He also called for suspending the gross receipts tax on gasoline, which is about 26 cents per gallon and is collected separately from an additional 25-cents-per-gallon excise tax that has been suspended until Dec. 1. As Republicans have done for months, Stefanowski called for suspending the highway use tax on large trucks that is scheduled to begin on Jan. 1, 2023 and would raise about \$90 million per year.

"This was Governor Lamont's consolation prize for not getting tolls done," Stefanowski said.

The state, he said, should also make additional payments to the unemployment trust fund that is paid by businesses and was drained because of high unemployment due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Lamont put \$40 million into the fund but the administration says that paying down the pension debt is more important.

Stefanowski reiterated his

previous pledge to release his personal tax returns, as a joint filer with his wife, from 2019, 2020, and 2021.

"My disclosure is going to be the most, probably in the history of Connecticut, from a governor," Stefanowski said. "That's what we're going to do.

... I will do a complete financial disclosure of all our investments. I will release everything I'm legally and ethically allowed to do.

He also called again for Lamont's wife, Annie, to release her returns because her venture capital company had an investment in a testing company that received a state contract during the COVID-19

"The guy that hasn't released his own tax returns brought that up?" Lamont asked.

Concerning whether Stefanowski will release a list of his consulting clients, Lamont said, "He gives a lot of sermons about transparency. So I would say, physician, heal thyself. People want to know how you're getting paid. Who's paying you? I don't know."

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Waterbury man accused of operating

Hartford Courant

nition Monday, according to a release.

Luis Seda of Waterbury was arrested and charged with four counts of possession of Lieutenant Ryan Bessette said.

the "weapons were readily accessible."

Another 230 rounds were also seized.

Police also seized over \$9,500 in cash from

released Tuesday. He is pending a court arraign-

Tweets

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outlines reasons why Connecticut should be immortalized in country lyrics, other than "cuz it's really hard to rhyme."

Back home we thank the governor for the blessings that we got. We can gamble on the internet and it's cool to smoke some pot. And so y'all come visit my state

I guarantee you'll be welcome in Connecticut.

And mind your etiquette.

In his letter to Tong, Stefanowski asks whether "taxpayer dollars" were used to produce the 18-second video or whether its reference to marijuana being legal in Connecticut could be construed as a violation of the portion of Public Act 21-1 relating to advertising.

The law prohibits cannabis advertising on TV, radio, billboards, print, social media or other digital means unless 90% of the audience can reasonably be expected to be 21 or older.

"The Governor's Office and any state agencies responsible for this video should immediately disclose to the public, the amount of taxpayer dollars spent to produce the video promoting drug use in Connecticut," Stefanowski wrote. "If the Governor wants to talk about Connecticut etiquette, perhaps he should start by avoiding using his platform without regard for the under-age audience he influ-

Max Reiss, the communications director for the governor, said no state funds were spent but acknowledged that the governor's office staff did produce the video that matched footage of Lamont with the portion of the song thanking the governor for blessings that include marijuana and

"It's a cute song. It's satirical," said House Minority Leader Vincent J. Candelora, R-North Branford, but he added he was shocked to see a gubernatorial tweet about the "blessings" of legal gambling and marijuana.

"It's getting a visceral reaction from people, and I can understand why so," said Candelora, who voted against the legalization of recreational marijuana. "I really don't know what they were thinking."

The attorney general's office had no comment on whether the office had the jurisdiction or expertise to determine whether the governor's tweet could be confused with an ad, whether it actually promoted pot use, or if the governor's 90,500 followers on Twitter could reasonably be expected to include 9,050 people under the age of 21.

Instead, Tong Stefanowski, who has previously asked the attorney general to investigate whether the firing of a Black commissioner was

discriminatory, to stop using calls for an investigation as a political punchline.

"This is not the first time Bob Stefanowski has asked the Office of the Attorney General to investigate his political opponent. Bob Stefanowski is a candidate and these repeated requests — in the middle of an active campaign - are inappropriate and unethical," Tong said. "I have made that clear to him previously. I will not allow my office, and our investigative authority, to be weaponized by a political campaign. As Attorney General, I represent the Governor in his official capacity, without regard to the Governor's party affiliation."

Jake Lewis, a spokesman for Lamont's campaign, said Stefanowski was trying to distract voters from examining his differences with the governor on abortion, gun control and other issues.

"It's disappointing that Bob is lying but not surprising given how much he is trying to distract from his extreme positions like opposing gun control measures, supporting the NRA, fundraising with ultraconservative anti-choice and anti-LGBT Governors, and supporting the anti-choice judges Trump put on the Supreme Court," Lewis said. "This is just another issue where Bob is out of touch with the majority of Connecticut."

Lamont signed the measure a year ago, making the possession of 1.5 ounces of marijuana legal as of July 1, 2021, a step in a journey that began with the decriminalization of small amounts of cannabis in 2011 followed by legalization of medical marijuana in 2012.

"The war on cannabis, which was at its core a war on people in Black and brown communities, not only caused injustices and increased disparities in our state, it did little to protect public health and safety," Lamont said after the bill's passage.

So, is the legalization of recreational marijuana a new issue in Connecticut's race for governor?

Gear could not be reached about his intentions or inspiration for the piece. The state office of tourism had solicited ideas for promoting Connecticut, but it did not run a contest for the first-ever Connecticut country song, said David Lehman, the commissioner of economic and community development.

Earlier in the tune, Gear embraces Connecticut's claim to be the gateway to New England, albeit in a gently mocking way unlikely to be lionized by the tourism folks.

In the basement of New England Connecticut stands tall. And looks down on Rhode Island for being ornery and small. But songs about my state are hard to find; Nobody sings

'Connecticut on my mind.'

Fire

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for camping stoves. "We light it on fire but it only burns for as long as the gas is there," she said. "The prop starts hotter and cools down because the fire is getting less and less."

She said there's "lots of practice" with the items unlit. She practices in her West Hartford backyard two to three times a week.

The biggest risk, she said, is with hoops and fans because they have metal frames that get hot. "You have to be very

aware of how close, how hot," the props are. Goyette has burned herself and has a few scars, but nothing serious, she said.

Eating fire is a favorite trick of audiences, but the fire isn't actually swal-

The trick, she said, is to put the torch in your mouth and make an O shape with your lips, which stops the oxygen. The fire doesn't touch the roof of the mouth,

"It doesn't travel down your throat like most people think," she said. She warns people not to try this at home.

She also has a trick where she adds a sparkle substance to the fans and when she clicks them together it makes sparks.

"People love that, kids love that," Goyette said.

"We explain that we're trained professionals. It's not something you want to try at home because it's dangerous," Goyette said. It can take weeks or even months to perfect a stunt,

Goyette, who also teaches fire spinning and sometimes performs with a troupe of six to eight others, wears different costumes, all made of fire safe materials, either 100% cotton or bamboo. She avoids synthetic materials because it melts onto the skin. Cotton will ash, not melt.

Goyette had to have her sleeve put out once because she had a little extra fuel on her prop. During a performance, she said, there is always a safety crew standing by with a special blanket for dousing fire and as a last resort, fire extinguishers.

"I'm always trying to learn new things. The more I learn the more exciting my performance can be for my crowd and myself," Goyette said.

Richard Antosca of West Haven has had Goyette perform several times at St. Louis Church's annual summer carnival and also the parish barbecue.

"Her shows here have always drawn great crowds and they love it each time, as the show keeps evolving with her different props,' he said. "The parish children really are amazed

watching her every time." Bill Beyer of Oakdale said he's hired Goyette for his large Fourth of July event the last two years.

"The show was spectacular," Beyer said. "The audience was children and adults and they were engaged the entire time. Some of them called it breathtaking."

"I see myself having at least 10 more years doing

this," she said. Jessica Goyette's website is firebolly.com.

Pam McLoughlin can be reached at pmcloughlin@

courant.com.

Powassan

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in Connecticut, spreading Lyme disease and other serious maladies as continued warming allows the blood-sucking parasites to survive and thrive.

The first case of Powassan virus in Connecticut came in late March. A Windham man in his 50s was hospitalized with a central nervous system disease and had a known tick bite, officials said. The male recovered in his home after being discharged.

There have been 14 reported cases in the state since 2017, three were considered fatal, according to the release.

The unidentified Windham resident, who is in his 50s, became ill at the end of March, the state Department of Public Health announced Wednesday. Tests performed at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Laboratory in Fort Collins, Colorado, confirmed the presence of antibodies to

DPH said most people experience either no symptoms or light flu-like symptoms, but in some cases, people can develop "severe illness affecting the central nervous system." They said about one in 10 cases of severe illness is fatal and about half of the survivors of severe cases experience long-term health problems.

drug factory **By Mike Mayredakis**

Waterbury police arrested a 44-year-old man and seized 109 bags of heroin, 58 grams of cocaine, 11.3 grams of crack cocaine, two handguns and over 200 rounds of handgun ammu-

narcotics with intent to sell, risk of injury to a minor and operating a drug factory, Waterbury

According to Bessette, a child was located with Seda at the residence on Pine Street and

Seda has a valid pistol permit, Bessette said, but the weapons were seized as a part of their narcotics investigation. The two guns seized were both 9-millimeter handguns with a total of 20 live rounds in them, according to police.

the residence, according to Bessette.

Seda posted a \$100 surety bond and was

Trumbull officials face sexual assault charges in Shelton

By Mike Mavredakis Hartford Courant

A Trumbull police sergeant turned himself into police Tuesday after a warrant was put out for his arrest, and a former volunteer fire captain turned himself in Wednesday stemming from an alleged sexual assault in September 2020, according to a release from the Shelton

Police Department. Matthew Perkowski, 33, of Shelton was arrested on Tuesday and charged with first-degree sexual assault and second-degree assault, according to Shelton Lieutenant Robert Kozlo-

John Scollin, 34, of Shelton was arrested Wednesday and charged with first-degree sexual assault, Kozlowsky said. Scollin is a former captain of the volunteer fire department at Echo Hose Hook and Ladder Co.

Trumbull police said Perkowski was placed on administrative leave as a result of the charges against him, and his police powers were removed, Trumbull Police Chief Michael Lombardo said in a statement.

The allegations contained in the Shelton Police arrest warrant will be reviewed and investigated by the Office of Internal Affairs in Trumbull to identify any violations of the department's Code of Conduct, and we will await the findings from the court," Lombardo said in the statement. "These accusations present a very serious personnel matter that will be handled appropriately."

Perkowski was released on a \$150,000 court set bond, according to Kozlowsky. He was arraigned on Wednesday in Derby and pled not guilty, according to his lawyer Gregory Cerritelli.

"I am very familiar with the allegations which form the basis of sergeant Perkowski's arrest and to say I'm outraged is an understatement," Cerritelli told the Hartford Courant on Wednesday.

Scollin was released on a \$150,000 court set bond Wednesday. He is scheduled to appear in Derby court on Thursday.

Witnesses sought in Cromwell crash

By Mike Mavredakis

Hartford Courant

Police are seeking witnesses to a singlecar crash on Interstate 91 South in Cromwell midday on Tuesday, according to a release from

the Connecticut State Police. The 2007 Toyota Camry was traveling in the right lane of I-91 southbound near exit 22S. The vehicle veered into the right shoulder, hit a metal guardrail and rolled over into an embank-

ment before coming to a stop on its roof. The 80-year-old Ellington man sustained serious injuries, according to the release. He was transported to Hartford Hospital by ambu-

lance. The cause of the accident is unknown and the accident is under investigation, police said. Anvone who witnessed the crash or has information regarding the accident is asked to contact Trooper Elson Abotsi at 860-534-1000.

Manchester man accused of threats against MCC

Courant staff report

A Manchester man was arrested after reported threats of violence directed at Manchester Community College, according to the police.

The Manchester Police Department was notified on May 23 that Darius Burke, 27, made threats to harm himself and others over the phone, police said in a release.

The caller reported that Burke allegedly said he was going to "shoot up" Manchester Community College and then harm himself, according to police. It was also reported he allegedly said he would not be satisfied with his life until he goes through with his plan, police said.

According to police, officers immediately made efforts to speak with Burke and located him. When confronted about the statements, he admitted to having thoughts related to what was reported, police said.

In the following days, additional information was gathered by officers investigating the threats made by Burke, police said. Police said Burke was the subject of multiple incidents during which he allegedly made threats to harm himself and others.

Based on a pattern of behavior and the specific threats of violence, officers obtained an arrest warrant and a risk protection order for Burke, which were both approved, police said. The order prevents a person from having or getting firearms, deadly weapons or ammunition if they are at immediate risk of causing personal injury to themselves or another person.

On Monday, Burke was taken into custody, placed under arrest and charged with second-degree breach of peace and second-degree threatening, police said.

Burke initially was held in lieu of \$100,000 bail and appeared in court on Tuesday, according to police. Burke was released after he posted bond, police said. Burke will be monitored by a GPS bracelet until his next appearance in court, and the risk protection order remains active, police said.

According to police, Manchester Community College and MCC police

More than half of towns failed to turn in affordable housing plans

Advocates, legislators regrouping; 'Let's hold the state's feet to the fire'

By Ginny Monk CT Mirror

Despite five years of advance notice that Connecticut towns would have to submit affordable housing plans by June 1, less than half of them made the deadline.

The deadline — established by a 2017 law that requires such plans every five years marked an important date for affordable housing advocates in Connecticut.

As of June 2, just 46% of the state's towns had submitted plans to the Office of Policy and Management. Nineteen percent of the towns "proactively notified" the office that they wouldn't meet the deadline and provided an anticipated date.

The state Office of Policy and Management plans to "determine appropriate next steps for reminding the delinquent municipalities of their responsibility," spokesman Chris

But there didn't seem to be much appetite for zoning reform during the recent legislative session — not a single bill aimed at solving the problems made it to the governor's desk, and advocates are planning their next steps.

Much of the opposition to zoning reform bills was centered on arguments that statewide reform would dilute local control. Opponents argued that towns were already working on their own plans and that legislators should wait to see the results before passing laws to mandate reform.

The legislative session closed with no major zoning reform in a state that lacks tens of thousands of housing units that are needed to meet the demand from its lowest-income residents.

Advocates, legislators and analysts said zoning reform bills failed this session in part because of the short session, opposition based in local control arguments and a lack of understanding of what zoning reform would mean for Connecticut.

As legislators and advocates plan another push for land-use reform, education that attempts to address misconceptions around proposed bills, existing laws and types of housing developments will be a focus as they prepare for the next legislative session.

Legislators said they agree that the state needs more affordable housing.

"The fact of the matter to this day is we do not have enough housing in the state of Connecticut. Period," said Rep. Quentin Williams, D-Middletown, co-chair of the housing committee.

The bills - House Bills 5429 and 5204 sought to tackle what experts have long said are restrictive local zoning laws. These laws make it harder for developers to build multifamily housing, particularly in many of Connecticut's suburban towns.

DesegregateCT, a group that pushed for transit-oriented development, is a program of the Regional Plan Association. Transit-oriented development is a land use concept that encourages development near public transit

During the legislative session, lawmakers considered a bill that would have required towns to allow denser housing — at least 15 units per acre — within a half mile of a passenger, commuter rail or bus rapid transit station. Certain types of land such as wetlands and steep slopes would have been exempt.

The bill died in committee.

The other major piece of zoning reform legislation last session would have required the state's Office of Policy and Management to assess the need for affordable housing regionally in Connecticut. Then, towns would share the responsibility to plan and zone for that need.

A town's share would have been determined by its wealth, median income compared to nearby towns, percentage of housing stock that's multifamily, and the poverty rate. That bill was voted out of committee, but didn't get a vote on the House or Senate floors.

What happened

Zoning reform met resistance, much of which stemmed from Fairfield County, said Rep. Joe Polletta, a Waterbury Republican and ranking member of the Housing Committee. There's not enough support on either side of the aisle to pass such a bill, he said.

"The folks that have been opposed to the bill want to keep local control of zoning, and the bill has not given them that option,'

Opponents have cited local control and decried a one-size-fits-all solution to the state's affordable housing problem.

Rep. Stephanie Thomas, D-Norwalk, said in March that the transit-oriented development bill doesn't work for all towns. For example, some areas already have single-family homes built near train stations, she said.

While she said she supports the idea of transit-oriented development, Thomas said the bill didn't account for the needs of individual municipalities.

"I just feel so strongly that we cannot vote on a concept," Thomas said. "We have to vote on the actual language. I am a huge proponent of affordable housing. I also am a huge proponent of transit oriented development. I

just don't think the language of the bill is what makes sense."

Rep. Frank Smith, vice chair of the housing committee, said he thinks housing prices need to be contained through methods other than zoning reform. He said he supports bills such as one that passed during the session to establish more fair rent commissions in the state. The commissions receive rent complaints, conduct investigations and hold hearings, among other actions.

"I always felt when it comes to housing, it's always better to err on the side of local decision making," said Smith, D-Milford.

Pete Harrison, director of DesegregateCT, expressed a similar sentiment. He added that it's often more difficult for major legislation to pass during a short session.

"That effort spring-boarded things," Harrison said of the last session. "I feel like it's a really similar trajectory for us, that we laid a really good foundation."

Next session, the Regional Planning Association may look at other land use policies to support such as adjusting minimum lot sizes, said Melissa Kaplan-Macey, Connecticut director at the association.

Next steps

New federal priorities may incentivize change. The Biden administration's newly announced Housing Supply Action Plan includes incentives that tie federal grant dollars to certain zoning reforms, which experts say may push Connecticut lawmakers to pass such measures.

"Land use [reform] might appear to be controversial to some, but it's clearly a priority on the national level," Kaplan-Macey said.

Williams and other Democratic legislators are organizing informational sessions in the coming weeks during which legislators will visit housing developments statewide. He hopes this will clear up confusion about what those developments look like in a community as well as combat misconceptions about the state's existing affordable housing laws.

"I think right now we've focused on perceived solutions without having shared values, and I think we have to create that shared experience first and then move forward together," Williams said.

DesegregateCT will be fine-tuning its legislative recommendations and pushing awareness of the policies, Kaplan-Macey said.

"None of the major, major priorities got through, and that's a good opportunity for all of us to say 'Let's hold the state's feet to the fire," Harrison said. "There's going to be a lot more pressure and a lot more work together on getting stuff through the next session."



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PUBLIC NOTICES

ESTATE OF Ladislaus J. Sacharko, Si

The Hon. Owen P Eagan, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Berlin Probate Court, by decree dated June 2, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on

Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is: Heslie A. Suydam, 4 Harlan Road, Farmington, CT 06032 Michael F. Sacharko, 126 Randall Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06110

June 9, 2022 7228293

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 578 Federal Road, Brookfield CT 06804, June 23, 2022 at 11:00 AM. Craig Vandenbrulle INC unit 2055 Furniture, Kaarn Beth Taylor unit 2405 Boxes. Blei Carvalho unit 2709, House items. Daniel Griffin unit 2543, business inventory. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes posses sion of the personal property. 6/9 & 6/16/22 7225914

LEGAL NOTICE INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES PUBLIC HEARING

The Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission of the Town of Old Saybrook, Connecticut will hold a public hearing on Thursday, June 16, 2022, 7:00 p.m., at Town July 202 Meis State 4 Floor Town Hall, 302 Main Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Old Saybrook and via teleconference regarding:

22-004 "EconoLodge" Application to 22-004 "EconoLodge" Application to Conduct a Regulated Activity
Construction of three-bedroom owner's apartment at rear of hotel within 100' upland review area.

1750 Boston Post Road (Map 25/Lot 4)
Owner: RR SAI LLC
A g e n t:

Edward M. Cassella, Esq. 22-005 "SPR Oasis, LLC" Application to Conduct a Regulated Activity
Construction of a retail center within inland wetlands and 100' upland review

area.

52 Spencer Plain Road (Map 25/Lot 27)
Applicant: SPR Oasis, LLC Owner:
Ortho Saybrook LLC Agent:
Joseph Wren, PE.L.S. At this hearing, interested persons may

appear in person or via the Zoom link below to be heard or to submit writter communications. Copies of the applica communications. Copies of the applica-tion and plans are on the Town website and on file in the Land Use Department, Old Saybrook Town Hall, 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT 06475 between the weekday hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Public Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/9 6245230032?pwd=0FQzSi9a0ExZNOVD UjFQWIFySHhjUT09 Meeting ID: 962 4523 0032 Meeting Passcode: 302302

Passcode: 302302 Teleconference Dial-In: (929) 436-2866 One Tap Mobile: tel://9294362866,,96245230032# For assistance with virtual meetings, please see "Toom Meetings" on the

OLD SAYBROOK INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION 6/2.6/9/2022 7217831

Town web site.

NOTICE CREDITORS

OF ESTATE OF KLARA NBORN, late of Moodus, AKA BARBARA SCHOENBORN, AKA SCHOENBORN KLARA B. SCHOENBORN (22-00153)

The Hon. Jennifer L. Berkenstock, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Region #14 Probate Court, by decree dated June 5, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciary is: Frank H. Daudish, 120 Nelkin Road Colchester, CT 06419 June 9, 2022 7228155

NOTICE CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Jean L. Cowles, Late of Old AKA Jean Louise Cowles (22-0351)

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated June 3, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Faither to generate property process and Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Jacqueline Craco, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is: Crystal Tina Cowles c/o LEONARD LEADER, WIGGIN & DANA, 60 CHURCH LANE, WESTPORT, CT 06880 June 9, 2022 7227976

NOTICE CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Tien Lee (22-00407)

The Hon. Michael A. Carrier, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Berlin The Court of Probate, District or Bernia Probate Court, by decree dated June 2, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim

Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is:

THE IDUCIATY IS:
JEAN WONG
C/O DEBORAH L HADAWAY, ELDER LAW
CENTER OF CT, LLC, 131 NEW LONDON
TURNPIKE, SUITE 102, GLASTONBURY,
CT 106033

June 8. 2022 7227500

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF CROMWELL ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Cromwell Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing and Meeting at 6:30 pm on Tuesday June 7, 2022 in the Council Chambers at the Cromwell Town Hall at 41 West Street on the following

Application #22-02: Request for Variance from Section 2.2.B Bulk Requirements of the Zoning Regulations (Side Yard Setback) to allow for the construction of the addition in the rear of the house at 559 Main Street. Rose A, and Mark E. Horan are the Applicants and the Owners.

At this hearing interested parties may appear and be heard and written testimony received. The application is on file in the Planning and Development Department office at 41 West Street, Cromwell,

Joseph Morin

Dated in Cromwell, Connecticut this 27th 6/3.6/9/2022 7224141

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Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is: KINGA A KOSTANIAK, REMBISH & LASARACINA, LLC, 31 HIGH STREET, NEW BRITAIN, CT 06051 June 9, 2022 7227956

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:576 Danbury Road, New Milford, CT, 06776, 6/23/22 at 11:00 AM., Craig S. Vandenbrulle, unit #234, containing Chairs, Table, Chandliers, Bags, Boxes, Stephen Tompos, Unit 410, containing 2 Pizza Ovens.

Jacqueline Montgomery Unit # 170, containing , chair, Bags, Boxes, Tables. AntonieVassilladis unit #365, containing Chair, Stereo, Bags Bicycle, Books, Clothes, Totes, Scale. Louis Fallon, unit #660, containing clothes, Steven J. claude unit #601 containing household

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the auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facil ity in order to complete the transaction ity in order to complete the danageton. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. 6/9 & 6/16/22 7226010

LEGAL NOTICE

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Avon will hold a virtual Public Hearing on June 16, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. on the

Application of Edward Blake Anderson and Mary Ellen Anderson, Owners, and Edward Blake Anderson, Applicant; requesting from Avon Zoning Regulations, Section IV. A. 6., a 12-foot variance from the required 40-foot front yard setback for propane tanks, located at 4 White Birch Lane in an R40 Zone.

All interested persons may join virtually and be heard and written communica-tions will be received. Copy of this notice is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall. Dated at Avon this 31st day of May, 2022.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Eileen Carroll, Chair Christy Yaros, Vice-chair 6/2 & 6/9/22 7224090



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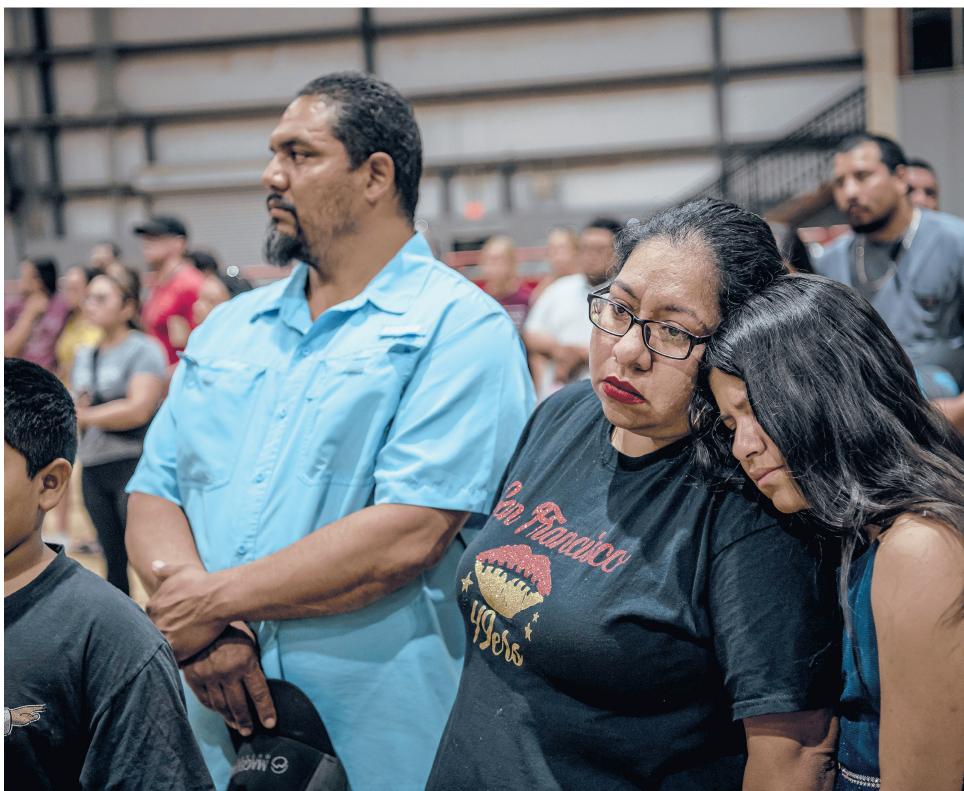
I asked what kind of family Amina wanted. She said, 'A family like yours.' That's when I knew I had to adopt her.

Denise, adopted 17-year-old Amina



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Community members gather May 25 to pray for those affected by the massacre at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. MERIDITH KOHUT/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Gun violence affects health

Mass shootings can have ripple effect even for those not involved

By Christina Caron The New York Times

Heather Martin was a senior at Columbine High School in 1999 when two gunmen, also teenagers, killed 13 people and wounded 21 more before taking their own lives. She ended up barricaded in a room for three hours. And although she wasn't physically injured, she witnessed the aftermath of the shooting, which she described as "horrifying."

Despite having survived such a traumatic event, she did not consider how deeply her mental health might have been affected. "I minimized my own experience and always thought, someone has it worse. I should just be fine or be better," she said.

But she wasn't fine. Martin had recurring nightmares for years and eventually dropped out of college after developing an eating disorder and taking recreational drugs.

It wasn't until the 10th anniversary of the shooting that she finally found support and reconnected with some of her classmates "who got it, who were also struggling, who didn't judge me," she said.

Mass shootings have become more common during the pandemic, and

so, too, have other types of gun violence. So far this year there have been more than 200 mass shootings in the United States, including the one that caused the deaths of 19 children and two teachers in Uvalde, Texas. But beyond the statistics is a number that is harder to quantify: The people grappling with the psychological effects that

The mental health toll doesn't just affect those closest to gun violence. It also ripples through a community and the nation, said Erika Felix, an associate professor of clinical psychology at the University of California, Santa Barbara, who has studied survivors of shootings.

stem from the violence.

"It's felt everywhere," she said. "We really have to look at this as a public mental health crisis."

For survivors, victims' families and those who live near the location of a shooting, the psychological effects can be intense and prolonged. They may include post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, self-harm and major depressive disorders.

But even among those who do not frequently experience gun violence or who have never been directly affected by a mass shooting, feelings of fear,

anger or helplessness can arise. And studies have found that continually consuming news media after a tragedy can lead to acute stress.

Could have happened to any of us

In a 2018 survey conducted by the Harris Poll for the American Psychological Association, 75% of young people between 15 and 21 said that mass shootings were significant sources of stress. Most adults ranging in age from 22 to 72 said the same.

The fact that the shooting in Uvalde could have happened to any of us "is deeply unsettling," said Dr. Sara Johnson, a professor of pediatrics at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine who has studied how chronic stress affects child development

and behavior. Some people may develop a sense that the world is not a safe place, that others cannot be trusted "or that they are powerless to change the circumstances in which they're living," Dr. Johnson said. "These kinds of mass shootings really tear at the fabric of society."

But despite the potential for far-reaching psychological effects, there is limited data on what firearm injury does to our collective mental health.

This is in part because agencies like the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention did not fund gun violence research for more than two decades after a provision called the Dickey Amendment prohibited the use of federal money to "advocate or promote gun control."

What experts have found is that directly after mass violence, most survivors and responders will have stress reactions that gradually decrease over time, according to the National Center for PTSD. But some people may experience lasting consequences, including PTSD.

PTSD symptoms can be similar in adults and children, said Nicole R. Nugent, an associate professor of psychiatry and human behavior at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and an expert in PTSD identification and treatment. Those with PTSD often have trouble sleeping and may become emotionally numb, continuously on edge or easily startled, she said. The world will often feel unsafe to them, and upsetting memories may intrude on their daily thoughts. Some people may try to avoid things that remind them of their trauma. Teens and adults might turn to substance abuse.

Younger children may experience stomachaches or headaches, and lowergrade anxiety that causes them to misbehave or have trouble concentrating. They may also engage in

"traumatic play," acting out the trauma they experienced, Nugent added.

Proximity to violence

Much like those who experience gun violence, those who live near it may also suffer.

Dr. Aditi Vasan, a general pediatrician at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, decided to investigate how children in her community were psychologically affected by nearby shootings after speaking with patients who had anxiety, depression or difficulty sleeping.

"When I asked them when these symptoms started, they told me it was after a classmate or a friend or a neighbor was shot," she

The resulting study, published in JAMA Pediatrics in 2021, examined emergency department admissions between 2014 and 2018 and found that children and teenagers in Philadelphia who lived within about four to six blocks of where a shooting had occurred were more likely than other children to use an emergency room for mental health reasons during the two months after the shooting. The odds rose among children who were exposed to multiple shootings and among those who lived closest to a shooting's location, within two or three blocks. Their symptoms included anxiety, panic

attacks, suicidal ideation and self-harm behavior, Vasan said.

Another study looked at the effects of police killings on several communities in Los Angeles. It showed decreases in high school students' academic performance, learning deficiencies related to PTSD and higher levels of depression and school dropouts that correlated to how close students lived to where the shootings occurred. These problems were most pronounced among Black and Latino students who lived near the locations of police shootings of Black and Latino people.

Addressing the psychological effects of gun violence

For younger children affected by violence, Nugent recommended keeping as much structure in place as possible, like regular bedtimes and meal-

"They are looking to us for those subtle signals that things are OK and things

are safe," she said. It's also important to allow ourselves to feel grief, rather than to bottle it up, and to allow our children to acknowledge it, too, said Dr. Megan L. Ranney, an emergency physician and the academic dean of the School of Public Health at

Brown University. Finding the things that give us a sense of control can help us cope as well.

Woman receives 3D-printed ear transplant made of her own human cells

HealthDay News

A 3D-printed ear made with the patient's own cells has been transplanted onto a 20-year-old woman, the company that made the ear

The achievement announced recently by 3DBio Therapeutics of New York City is believed to be the first known example of a 3D-printed implant made of living tissues. Experts hailed it as a major advance in the field of

tissue engineering. "It's definitely a big deal," Adam Feinberg, a professor of biomedical engineering and materials science and engineering at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, told The New York Times.

"It shows this technology is not an 'if' anymore, but a'when,'" said Feinberg, a co-founder of FluidForm, a Massachusetts-based regenerative medicine company that also uses 3D printing.

The transplant patient is from Mexico and was born with a small and misshapen right ear. She received her new ear in March as part of the first clinical trial of a medical application of this technology, the Times reported.

The new ear was made to match the woman's left ear precisely. It will continue to regenerate cartilage tissue and have the look and feel of a natural ear, according to 3DBio.

Because the trans-

plant used cells from the patient's own ear, the body is not likely to reject it, doctors and company officials noted.

3DBio did not reveal technical details of the process. It said data would be published in a medical journal after an ongoing clinical trial of 11 patients is completed, the Times

reported.
"This is so exciting, sometimes I have to temper myself a little bit," trial leader Dr. Arturo Bonilla

told the Times. He's the pediatric ear reconstructive surgeon in San Antonio who performed the woman's implant surgery.

"If everything goes as planned, this will revolutionize the way this is done," added Bonilla, who has no financial stake in 3DBio.

Company executives said further research could lead to use of the 3D printing technology to make other replacement body parts, including spinal discs.



DREAMSTIME

Band plans Hawkins tribute concerts

From news services

Foo Fighters will honor the rock band's late drummer Taylor Hawkins with a pair of tribute concerts.

The twin shows will take place Sept. 3 at London's Wembley Stadium and Sept. 27 at The Kia Forum in Inglewood, California, featuring "his bandmates and his inspirations playing the songs that he fell in love with, and the ones he brought to life," the band said in a statement. Lineups for each show will be announced at a later

Hawkins, 50, died March 25 during a South American tour with the rock band.

Hawkins' wife, Alison, took to social media to thank the band and its fans for their support. "In celebration of his life, it is now up to all of us who loved him most to honor Taylor's legacy and the music he gave us."

Blondie to issue first box set: Blondie said Wednesday the band will release its first authorized collection in its 50-year history, a huge box set that includes 124 tracks, 36 of which were never issued.

"Blondie: Against The Odds 1974-1982" drops Aug. 26. The remastered music is accompanied by two volumes of liner notes, track-by-track commentary, a 120-page illustrated discography and dozens of previously unpublished photos.

"When I listen to these old tracks, it puts me there like I am a time traveler. As bad as it was sometimes, it was also equally as good. No regrets. More music," said frontwoman Debbie Harry in a statement.

The heart of the box set is the band's first six studio albums. The set also includes four dozen demos - including the group's first recording session — as well as alternate versions and studio outtakes.



Foo Fighters will honor late drummer Taylor Hawkins, above, with two tribute concerts. AMY HARRIS/INVISION 2018

Chrislevs found guilty: Todd and Julie Chrisley, stars of the reality TV show "Chrislev Knows Best." were found guilty Tuesday in Atlanta on federal charges including bank fraud and tax evasion.

The Chrisleys were initially indicted in August 2019 and a new indictment was filed in February of this year. Their trial began three weeks ago, and a jury on Tuesday found them guilty of conspiring to defraud community banks out of more than \$30 million in fraudulent loans, according to the office of U.S. Attorney Ryan Buchanan in Atlanta. They were also found guilty of conspiring to defraud the IRS and tax evasion, and Julie Chrisley was convicted of wire fraud and obstruction of justice.

Bruce Morris, an attorney for Todd Chrisley, said he was disappointed with the verdict and expects to

After they were found guilty, a judge allowed the Chrisleys to remain free on bond.

Peter Tarantino, an accountant hired by the couple, was found guilty of conspiracy to defraud the United States and willfully

filing false tax returns, the U.S. attorney's office said.

He also is free on bond. Sentencing for all three is set for Oct. 6.

Musician Seals dies: Jim Seals, who teamed with fellow musician "Dash" Crofts on such 1970s softrock hits as "Summer Breeze," "Diamond Girl" and "We May Never Pass This Way Again," has died at age 80. His death was announced Tuesday by several people, but further details were not immediately available.

Seals and Darrell George "Dash" Crofts started Seals and Crofts in the late 1960s, and over the next several years were among a wave of soft-rock groups. They broke up in 1980, but reunited briefly in the early 1990s and again in 2004.

June 9 birthdays:

Sportscaster Dick Vitale is 83. Composer James Newton Howard is 71. Actor Michael J. Fox is 61. Actor Johnny Depp is 59. Actor Gloria Reuben is 58. Singer Tamela Mann is 56. Actor Michaela Conlin is 44. Actor Natalie Portman is 41. Actor Mae Whitman is 34. Actor Lucien Laviscount is 30.



ASK AMY

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Aunt crushed when in-law reads private letter

Dear Amy: In 2020, my nephew, "TJ," graduated from high school.

My husband and I are especially close to him. During lockdown, I sent TJ a card and enclosed money

Later, I sent a personal, heartfelt letter to TJ, wanting him to know how much I enjoyed seeing him grow, recounting memories we shared, giving him unsolicited advice about college, etc.

TJ called to thank me for the gift and the letter.

Months later my sisterin-law "Teri" mentioned to me that she was in TJ's room and a letter was open on his nightstand. She said she saw it was from me and read it. She said she thought it was so nice and that it made her

I was speechless! The issue for me is I feel the letter was private between TJ and myself.

I was raised in a household where we never opened mail that was not addressed to us because the contents of any mail was considered private information.

Now, TJ's brother is graduating from high school, and I had planned to write a similar letter for him, but now I feel constrained on how much of my personal feelings I want to put into the

The joy of doing another letter is gone for me since I know it may be read by others. I want to get your thoughts on whether I am overreacting.

— Upset Aunt

Dear Upset: Yes, you are overreacting. By a mileand-a-half. When people receive

letters and cards of congratulations to mark a happy occasion, they often leave the cards and letters out and share the content. of these with family members.

This letter was lying open in your nephew's room. It was not sealed, and your sister-in-law did not "open" it. She merely read it, as I maintain just about anyone would do. (You obviously wouldn't, but I believe that most people would.)

My overall point is that when a letter leaves the writer's heart, mind, pen and home — it becomes the physical property of the person who receives it, and that person can leave it lying out for others to see, put it into a scrapbook, post a photo of it on social media or throw it

It is best to enter a correspondence assuming that others may see what you write, and to choose your words carefully.

Your sister-in-law was moved by the contents of this letter to the point of tears. She was thoughtful enough to tell you so, and your response is to consider denying your other nephew this gift of your time and wisdom.

This seems an extremely unkind reaction.

If you choose to write to your younger nephew, you should ask him to keep the contents of your letter

Dear Amy: I am beginning to think that I'm in violation of some unwritten social code with respect to gift giving.

After a very acrimonious divorce, we experienced the typical "siding off" of our mutual acquaintances.

This is understandable, as divorce puts friends in awkward positions.

Anyway, I have continued to send gifts as children of "our" friends marry, despite not being an invited guest.

These gifts are not being acknowledged.

I'm trying to figure out if I just hit a streak of ungrateful young people or if my giving is so grossly out of place that it is just being ignored.

Bewildered Giver

Dear Bewildered: All gifts should be acknowledged, even if the gift bewilders the recipient.

You do not need to receive a wedding invitation in order to send a gift, but if you have never met the couple — or haven't seen the marrying person in many years — you might want to switch your generosity to a warmly worded

Dear Amy: I appreciated your response to "Torn," the older man who wanted to announce his long-ago sexually exploitive relationship with his sister-inlaw at the woman's funeral.

Yes, I agree that what happened to him when he was a teenager was abusive. And yes, I also agree that a funeral is not the time to disclose it. – Fan

Dear Fan: My heart fairly broke for this man, who had been struggling with the impact of this abusive sexual relationship. I hope he gets help.

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MCU super fan Vellani suits up as teenage hero in 'Ms. Marvel'

By Alicia Rancilio Associated Press

Iman Vellani, who stars as Kamala Khan in the new Disney+ series "Ms. Marvel," has a conundrum. Now that she's a part of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, does she remove the Marvel posters from the walls of her childhood bedroom or leave them up?

"Brie (Larson) is on my wall, and she's in my phone book. So, like, that's weird," said Vellani, 19.

"Ms. Marvel," which recently debuted, is Vellani's first professional acting job. Already an avid reader of the comics, Vellani learned of the open audition from her aunt.

The first month on set was spent in prep, rehearsing and stunt training. She had to give up her high school diet of McDonald's and Oreos and build stamina, but Vellani wasn't interested in changing her shape too much. "I was 17. Kamala was 16. I wanted her to look like a normal high school kid," she said.

"My first proper day of filming – that was intense," said Vellani. "It was all of the stunts that I had to do in the real Captain Marvel suit. The one that Brie gets to wear. ... There's so many pieces, and it's just really uncomfortable, and the scenes were pretty intense. So I came home with all these bruises and everything.

My mom was like, 'Oh my God, what happened?' And I'm like, 'I'm a superhero. That's what happened."

Vellani may be the first Marvel actor who is also a massive fan. She especially loves Robert Downey Jr. and has proudly rewatched "Iron Man" "more than the average person."

Sana Amanat, co-creator of "Ms. Marvel," jokes that having an actor who is a stan (or really big fan) has its challenges.

"Sometimes she would just pull up in the producer's chair next to me and just give lots of thoughts and opinions on, you know, either the show or the rest of the MCU. And I'd be like, 'That's cool, but I need you to just act right now," she laughed, adding, "Iman brought so much life and love to the character, and it just made the entire process so much easier."

Vellani was browsing at a comic book store when she discovered the "Ms. Marvel" comics and immediately felt represented in a way that is not common in mainstream media.

"I saw a girl who looked like me. She was Muslim and Pakistani and a superhero fanatic, and I was Muslim, Pakistani and a superhero fanatic, so it worked out quite well. And I think my favorite part about the comic books was that it wasn't about her religion or her culture or her ethnic-

ity, it was about a fanficwriting nerd, who just so happened to be Pakistani and just so happened to be Muslim. Those parts of her life motivated her and drove her as a character ... She never neglected her culture. It was something that kind of uplifted her journey."

One thing about South Asian culture that Vellani says "Ms. Marvel" gets right, is the importance of family. Kamala's parents and brother feature prominently in the series.

"Showing those close, tight-knit family relationships, showing parents that are alive in the MCU, how rare is that," said Vellani. 'We wanted to hopefully get the ball rolling on Muslim representation in the media because there's 2 billion Muslims and South Asians in the world, and we cannot represent every single one of them. But I do hope that people find some sort of comfort in Kamala's character or through her brother or her parents or anyone in her community."

Vellani is not only thrilled to represent in the MCU but also to be entrusted with its secrets. "It's an honor to keep these secrets. For some people, power is money. For Marvel fans, it's knowledge and secrets and all the inside scoop on all the movies that haven't been released yet. ... I have that power, and I love it."

HOROSCOPES

Aries (March 21-April 19): People could have important information for you today. Someone in particular could invite you out for a fun night on the town, or perhaps they'll tell you something neat that totally changes your view of a matter. Answer phone calls you won't want them going to voicemail.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Matters of self-esteem and your own discipline are up for inspection today, impacting your ability to go with the flow and perform at your best. Fortunately, your efforts are worth your time. If you feel like you're being undervalued or undercompensated, you can improve matters with just a few words.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): There's a huge influx of positivity coming your way. This energy is rare, so treat yourself with an extra bit of love today. You might even want to give yourself a gift, perhaps something you've been eyeing for a while. Don't worry - you absolutely deserve it.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): You can find support in even the most unexpected places right now. Even if you don't need help, it's still a good idea to be grateful for what you've got. This is also a very creative aspect, so consider recording your thoughts and seeing what comes out.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Other people could have

something worthy of your attention today, reminding you how many people have your back, near and far. If life has been feeling a little rough lately, then go ahead and reach out to some friends for a bit of support. They're probably ready to listen without judgment and they could have sound advice for you too.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You deserve to be properly compensated for whatever work you do, whether or not you have a steady career right now. Help your rewards line up with the effort you put in. If you don't think you're getting what you do indeed deserve, then it's time for you to speak up and change things.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Limitations don't exist today, showing you all the wondrous possibilities laid out before you. It's a great time to think about how you'd like to evolve. Don't let any big changes scare you. Even the biggest tasks can be completed one step at a time.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your dreams could carry an extra weight today, potentially holding the key to a realization. This energy will grow even stronger when you read between the lines. An unexpected opportunity or inspiration may come to you from out of the blue.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Handling all the various threads of life and weaving them together might be a major strength of yours. Today, however, you can share the load. Useful connections could be around every corner. Be honest if you're feeling overwhelmed, because you may be surprised at how many helping hands are available to you.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A natural rhythm is being provided by the universe at the moment, one that is meant to help simplify your life. The planets are putting focus on this as well. If life has left you a little burnt out. then this is the perfect time to do what you need to reignite your fire. Self-care is the name of the game.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You get to call the shots today, giving you a bird'seye view of the world, your creativity and self-expression. You can chase after whatever brings you joy, so put a premium on doing as you please. Get back to people tomorrow. Today is about you.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): The world is slowing

down a bit for you today, giving you the urge to keep to yourself. You'll probably be happy to stay close to home. There's no need to push yourself or prove something right now. Take your time and do things on your own schedule.

TODAY IN **HISTORY**

Associated Press

On June 9, 1870, author Charles Dickens died in Gad's Hill Place, England.

In 1915, guitarist, songwriter and inventor Les Paul was born in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

In 1954, during the Senate Army-McCarthy hearings, Army special counsel Joseph N. Welch berated Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, asking: "Have you no sense of decency, sir?"

In 1972, heavy rains triggered record flooding in the Black Hills of South Dakota; the resulting disaster left at least 238 people dead and \$164 million in damage.

In 1986, the Rogers Commission released its report on the Challenger disaster, criticizing NASA and rocket-builder Morton Thiokol for management problems leading to the explosion.

In 1993, the science-fiction film "Jurassic Park," had its world premiere.

In 2017, Adam West, TV's "Batman," died at age 88.

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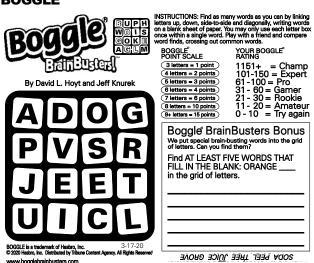
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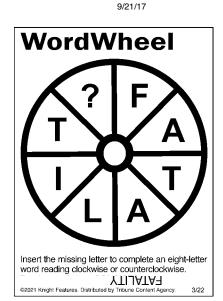
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WORD SEARCH

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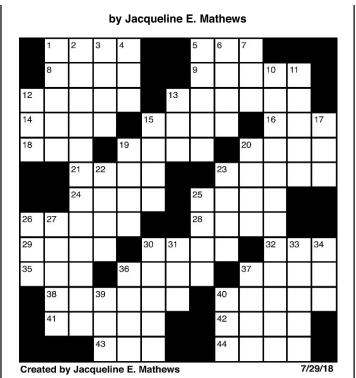
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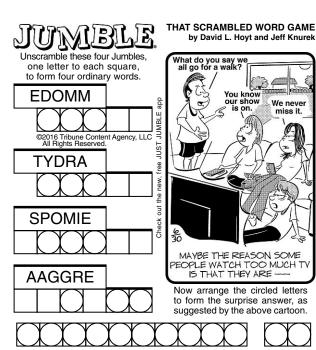
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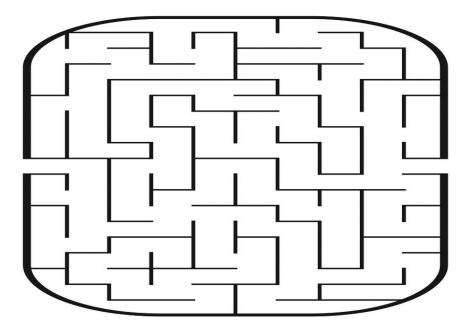
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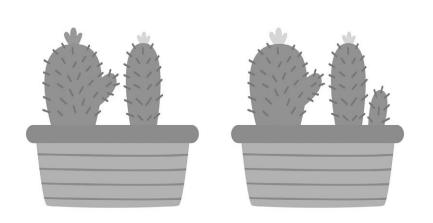
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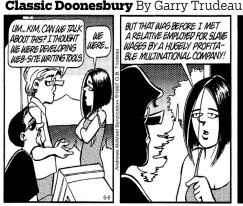


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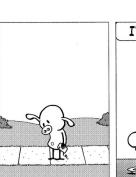


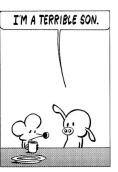


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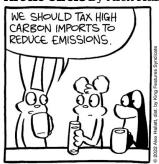




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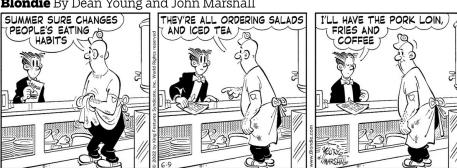
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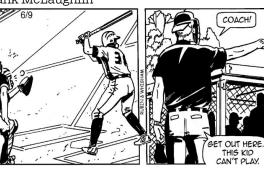






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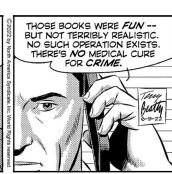


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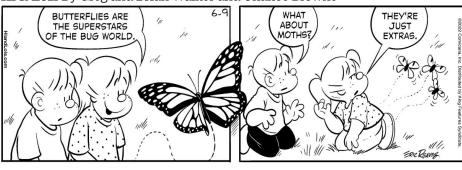
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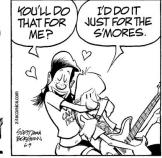




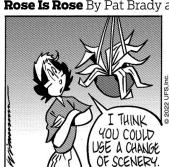


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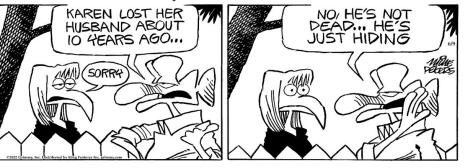
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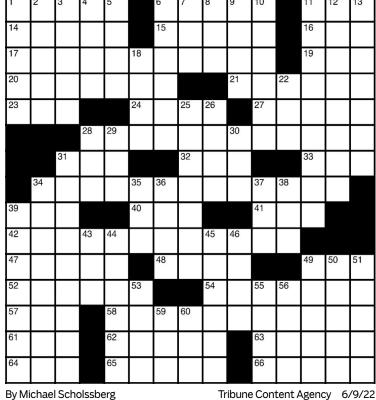
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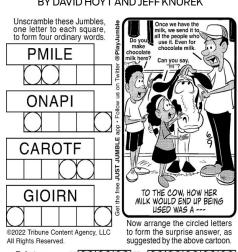
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BY DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

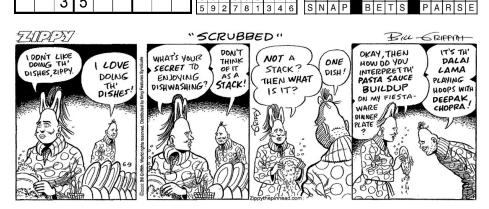


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SPORTS

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WNBA SUN 88, FEVER 69

Sun keep win streak going; break Fever

By Lila Bromberg Hartford Courant

UNCASVILLE - After a West Coast trip that saw the team play four games in six days across three different cities, the Connecticut Sun returned to Mohegan Sun Arena for their first home game since May 28.

The Sun won three games over that stretch, including two fourth-quarter comebacks against Phoenix and Seattle, giving them

an added boost of confidence entering Wednesday night's matchup. They kept things rolling with an 88-69 victory over the Indiana Fever.

Brionna Jones led Connecticut with 18 points, along with nine rebounds and three assists. The reigning WNBA Eastern Conference Player of the Week Jonquel Jones had 16 points, nine rebounds, three assists, two blocks and two steals. Alyssa Thomas recorded 11 points, nine rebounds and five assists, DeWanna Bonner had 12 points and two assists, and DiJonai Carrington 12 points, four rebounds and three steals.

The Sun held the Fever to 27 of 32 (37.5%) shooting from the field and 3 of 21 (14.3%) from 3-point range. They also had the edge on the boards, 41-29.

The first quarter was back-andforth with the Sun unable to create much separation. They led 22-19

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NBA FINALS LATE SHOW



Celtics guard Marcus Smart (36) puts up a shot against Golden State center Kevon Looney (5) during the first quarter of Game 3 of the NBA Finals on Wednesday in Boston. The game was not over in time for this edition, go to www.courant.com/sports for the result.

STEVEN SENNE/AP

HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Thursday Boys volleyball at Pomperaug-Southbury Class L: Darien vs. Trumbull, 5 p.m. Class M: Barlow vs. New Canaan, 7 p.m.

Friday Baseball

Class L: Windsor vs. Maloney, 7 p.m., Palmer Field, Middletown

Softball

Class LL: Bristol Central vs. Southington, 7 p.m., DeLuca Field, Stratford

Boys, girls tennis at Wesleyan

Invitational finals, 3

Saturday Baseball

at Palmer Field Class L: Southington vs. Fairfield-Warde.

Class S: St. Paul vs. Somers, 3:30 p.m. Class M: Barlow vs. Woodland, 7 p.m.

Softball at DeLuca Field Class M: Woodland vs. Oxford, noon

Class S: Cromwell vs. North Branford, 3 p.m. Class L: Masuk vs. Waterford, 7 p.m.

Girls lacrosse at Sacred Heart University

Class S: New Fairfield vs. Lauralton Hall, 10 a.m.

Class M: Guilford vs. St. Joseph, noon Class L: Darien vs. New Canaan, 2 p.m.

Golf at Black Hall Club, Old Lyme

Open championship, 1 p.m.

Sunday Boys lacrosse at Sacred Heart

Class S: Weston vs. Northwest Catholic, 10 a.m. Class M: Notre Dame-

WH vs. Wilton. 12:30 Class L: Darien vs.

Staples,, 3 p.m.



Northwest Catholic's Cameron Barone scores a goal over Canton's Nickolas Giotsas during the CIAC Class S semifinal lacrosse game on Wednesday at Tolland High School. JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

BOYS LACROSSE NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 14, CANTON 10

Lions advance to first state title game

By Lori Riley Hartford Courant

TOLLAND — The Class S boys lacrosse semifinal game between Canton and Northwest Catholic was a back-and-forth affair.

Canton would go up by a goal. Northwest Catholic would catch up and pull ahead.

would win.

It seemed that the last team to score

And that's what happened. Northwest Catholic ended the game Wednesday at Tolland High School with four straight goals to win 14-10 and advance to a state final for the first time in program history.

The seventh-seeded Lions (15-4) will face No. 5 Weston, last year's Class M champion, which beat Haddam-Killingworth in a semifinal 16-4 Wednesday, in the Class S championship game Sunday at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield.

Connor Murphy and Patrick Meuser each had three goals for Northwest Catholic and goalkeeper Hunter Willcox made 10 saves.

"It is so sweet," said Meuser, a senior. "We've been thinking about it the whole year, just getting ready. We are so pumped and so thrilled to finally get the opportunity.

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Money is the main motivator for players

Saudi-funded series puts new scrutiny on Mickelson, others

By Rob Harris Associated Press

ST. ALBANS, England — Out of public view for four months, Phil Mickelson returns to golf under severe scrutiny because of where he's playing and who is paying him.

Mickelson is a six-time major champion, the most popular golfer this side of Tiger Woods. And now he is being referred to as a "stooge" by a human rights group for being among 48 players who have signed up for a rebel golf league backed by Saudi Arabia's

sovereign wealth

"I don't condone human rights violations," Mickelson responded hesitatingly, choosing his words care- Mickelson fully at a terse news

conference Wednesday. Mickelson, who last year made history as the oldest major champion in golf's 161-year history, and Dustin Johnson are the leading faces of the LIV Golf Invitational series, the greatest threat to the PGA Tour since it was formed in

Along with disrupting the royal and ancient game, it has forced Mickelson and others to weigh the value of taking more money than they have earned in their careers against the kingdom's notorious

record on human rights. The cash being offered by LIV Golf is irresistible, especially for players like the 51-year-old Mickelson in the twilight of their careers. Signing bonus have been reported as high as \$150 million for Johnson, even higher for Mickelson.

The Washington Post quoted Greg Norman, who oversees the circuit, as saying that Woods turned down an offer described as "high nine digits."

There is \$25 million in prize money at each event — more than the \$20 million for the PGA Tour's flagship event — with the winner banking \$4 million and the lastplace player earning \$120,000. The

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UCONN BASEBALL

Shortstop Padilla has solidified infield for super regional-bound Huskies

By Dom Amore Hartford Courant

STORRS — Bryan Padilla, who grew up on the baseball diamonds in Brooklyn, went to a baseball camp at La Salle Academy and found an older, taller kid taking ground balls at shortstop.

His name? James Bouknight. "He once told me he was going to pick baseball over basketball, believe it or not," Padilla said. "And

he was good." Bouknight has said baseball is his first love and sometime touts, maybe joking, his untapped potential. But soon afterward Bouknight got serious about basketball and he ended up helping UConn return to the NCAA Tournament and get the program back in the business of developing NBA lottery picks.

Padilla, meanwhile, went to Poly Prep Country Day and met up with another future Husky, shortstop Anthony Prato, who eventually showed him around on his visit to Storrs. "I instantly fell in love with the place," Padilla said.

So Padilla followed in Prato's footsteps, came to UConn to make his mark in baseball and, as a redshirt freshman, has made a huge difference since entering the starting lineup. The Huskies have now made it to the NCAA super regional, where they will play at Stanford in a best-of-three series starting Saturday at 10:30 p.m.

This is what Padilla was meant to do. His father, Franclin Padilla, **UCONN-STANFORD SUPER REGIONAL**

At Palo Alto, Calif. Game 1: Saturday, 10:30 p.m.,

Game 2: Sunday: 7 p.m., ESPNU or Game 3 (if necessary): Monday,

who played ball in the Dominican Republic, tells him the stories of how good he was in a country that loves its baseball. Growing up in the Bushwick section of Brooklyn, Padillla said he frequently drove by Ebbets Field Apartments, which sit on the Dodgers' ancestral ground.

"My parents said they put a bat in my hands when I was 3 years

old," Bryan said. "And they knew I was going to be a baseball player."

His first year at UConn was a struggle. Padilla was suspended a game for going out for fast food on a road trip, and his teammates still tease him about it. Padilla didn't get into any games last spring, but worked to get himself in better shape and during the fall and winter made his play for playing

After the first series of the season. UConn's coaches were ready to try Padilla at short, though he was unsuspecting. The team returned from a road trip at 2 a.m., and coach Jim Penders saw body language that indicated it was time for a chat.

"I saw him put his stuff in his

trunk," Penders said. "And I kind of sensed his shoulders were slumping. He would get down on himself and I said, 'Keep your chin up, I don't know when it's coming but I know you're going to get an opportunity. Be ready for it this time. Don't press, let your ability take over."

The next weekend, Feb. 26, Padilla was in the starting lineup at shortstop against North Florida.

"I saw my name on the lineup card and my heart started racing, Padilla said. "My first at bat, I was able to get the bat on it and hit a bloop single, then I was okay."

Padilla got three hits in an 11-0 victory and has been a fixture at

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UP NEXT

Celtics: NBA Finals: vs. Warriors (Game 4), Friday, 9 p.m.; at Warriors (Game 5), Monday, 9 p.m.; vs. Warriors (Game 6, if necessary), June 16.9 p.m.

Rangers: Eastern Conference Finals: vs. Lightning (Game 5), Thursday, 8 p.m.; at Lightning (Game 6), Saturday, 8 p.m.; vs. Lightning (Game 7, if necessary), Tuesday, 8 p.m. Red Sox: at Angels,

Thursday, 9:30 p.m.; at Mariners, Friday, 10 p.m.; at Mariners, Saturday, 10 p.m. Yankees: at Twins, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Cubs, Friday, 7 p.m.; Cubs, Saturday, 7:15 p.m. Mets: at Angels, Friday, 9:30 p.m.; at Angels, Saturday, 10 p.m.; at Angels, Sunday, 7 p.m.

Yard Goats: at Portland, Thursday, 6 p.m.; at Portland, Friday, 6 p.m.; at Portland, Saturday, 6 p.m. Sun: Sky, Friday, 7 p.m.; Dream; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Storm, June 17, 7 p.m.

Hartford Athletic: at San Diego, Saturday, 10 p.m.; Memphis, June 15, 7 p.m.; at Atlanta United II, June 18, 7:30 p.m.

TV/RADIO

BASEBALL

1p.m.: St. Louis Cardinals at Tampa Bay Rays. (Live) **SPRTNET**

2 p.m.: Regional Coverage. (Live) MLB

5 p.m.: Colorado Rockies at San Francisco Giants. (Live)

7:30 p.m.: New York Yankees at Minnesota Twins. (Live), YES, Radio: 97.9.

9:30 p.m.: Boston Red Sox at Los Angeles Angels. (Live), NESN. Radio: 1080.

BOWLING 8 p.m.: King of the Lanes: Royal Family Edition. (Taped)

FOOTBALL

5:30 a.m.: Essendon Bombers vs Carlton Blues. (Live) FSP **GOLF**

7 a.m.: DP World Tour Golf Volvo Car Scandinavian Mixed, First Round. (Live)

12 p.m.: BMW Charity Pro-Am, First Round. (Live) GOLF 3 p.m.: RBC Canadian Open, First Round. (Live) GOLF HOCKEY

8 p.m.: Tampa Bay Lightning at New York Rangers. (Live) SPRTNET ESPN **SOCCER**

2:30 p.m.: UEFA Nations League Soccer Portugal vs Czech Republic. (Live) FS1 2:30 p.m.: UEFA Nations League Soccer Norway vs Slovenia. (Live) FSP **SOFTBALL**

7:30 p.m.: 2022 Women's College World Series Texas vs Oklahoma. (Live) ESPN2 TRACK AND FIELD

8:30 p.m.: NCAA Outdoor Championships. (Live) **ESPNU**

Bush pitches first-place **Yard Goats** to fifth straight win

PORTLAND, MAINE -Nick Bush and Riley Pint combined on a four-hitter to lead the Hartford Yard Goats to their fifth straight win, 4-0 over the Sea Dogs on Wednesday in a Eastern League Northeast Division

Bush went seven innings to improve to 5-3 on the season and lower his ERA to 3.48. Aaron Schunk had a sacrifice fly, a double and three RBI to lead the Yard Goats (34-19). Hartford is in first place in the Northeast.

Kyle Datres had two hits and two runs scored and Michael Toglia two hits, a run and an RBI.



YANKEES NOTES

LeMahieu hits milestone

By Kristie Ackert New York Daily News

MINNEAPOLIS - The first one took a while.

In his third majorleague game, his third at-bat of the day, DJ LeMahieu grounded a single to second base off Jaime Garcia in the top of the eighth inning of a Cubs loss at St. Louis.

"Albert Pujols was at first base and he was the first one to congratulate me," LeMahieu said of his first major-league hit in June 2011. Pujols went on to wish

LeMahieu many more hits in this league. "I'll never forget that,"

LeMahieu said. night, Tuesday

LeMahieu singled twice in the Yankees' rout of the Twins to reach 1.500 career hits. He knew he

was close but wasn't sure until he got congratulated by manager Aaron Boone.

'It's one of those things I'll probably look back on after I'm done, but you know stuff like that is a cool thing," LeMahieu

It's been a long journey for LeMahieu, who reached his 10th year of service time last month. He's won two batting titles and went into Wednesday night's game against the Twins at Target Field one home run shy of 100.

'It's all cool stuff, but hopefully there's a lot more of all of that to come," said LeMahieu, who will be 34 next month.

After a brief shutdown with a wrist issue, LeMahieu seems back on

Over the last two weeks, a total of eight games, LeMahieu is hitting .333/.460/.533 with a .993 OPS and a 175 OPS+.

Stanton back on field: Giancarlo Stanton was starting in right field Wednesday night, the first time he has played the outfield since coming off the injured list Saturday.

"We've been kind of working through here these last few days and talking about how we want to do it, and he keeps checking all the boxes," Boone said. "With the off day [Monday] he wanted to DH that first day [of the three-game series against the Twins].

"He got a lot outfield working yesterday and then just got with him postgame last night, making sure we're all good for today and for getting him back out there.

YANKEES

Cortes has been turning doubters into believers

By Kristie Ackert New York Daily News

MINNEAPOLIS Carlos Marti knew Nestor Cortes would eventually be a major-league pitcher if he wanted to be by the time Cortes was a junior in high school.

Playing for Marti's travel team in the Connie Mack World Series, the undersized lefty whose fastball didn't light up any radar guns absolutely dominated the bigger-named players.

Guys like Andrew Benintendi and Max Schrock, who were headed to the big leagues, "couldn't hit him," Marti said. "He just attacked them with his 85-mile-an-hour fastball and they couldn't touch

That was when Marti, who was also an associate scout for the Yankees at the time, knew if he could get Cortes a chance the kid from Hialeah could get to the big leagues.

"I guess I didn't see him pitching for a Cy Young this year," Marti said earlier this week with a laugh. "But I knew he was a fighter. I knew he wasn't afraid and I knew I was going to fight for him."

That is what Marti did, fighting to get the Yankees to pick Cortes in the 36th round of the 2013 draft. And so far this season he has rewarded Marti's belief in him with a brilliant first third of the season.

Cortes headed into Wednesday's start leading



Yankees pitcher Nestor Cortes reacts during the fifth inning of Game 1 of a doubleheader against the Los Angeles Angels on June 2 in New York. ADAM HUNGER/AP

the majors with a 1.50 ERA.

He is in the top 85th percentile in K% at 29.7%. top 76 in hard hit% and 33.6% top 74 in BB%, all while being in the bottom fifth percentile in fastball velocity.

The lefty has been the Yankees' best pitcher even though he doesn't fit the mold. He's undersized in a rotation full of guys over 6 feet tall. His fastball sits 91 miles an hour in a group that can see theirs touch

"He knows how to get outs," Marti said. "He always has."

Cortes had the foundation of being able to figure out ways to get outs when he played for Marti's Florida Legends team, which also counts Anthony Rizzo and Manny Machado among its major-league alumni.

Back then he understood knew how to pitch. He attacked hitters.

Over the last two years, however, Cortes, 27, has refined his repertoire. He's added a cutter, gotten into better shape and changed his approach. Cortes doesn't use the gimmicks dropping arms slots, quick pitching – nearly as much as he did when he first got called up.

You can see his confidence is finally catching up with him in the big leagues, Marti said.

"I think that the first few years he had in the big leagues, he didn't bring that confidence with him," Marti said. "Nestor has always worked hard and he's never been afraid to go after hitters, but you could see he didn't bring the confidence from the minor leagues with him.

"Not that he's arrogant, but you can see that he has the confidence now that he can go out and get outs."

METS

High hit-by-pitch numbers have taken Alonso out of lineup

By Matthew Roberson New York Daily News

Twenty-eight players have been hit by at least four pitches during the 2022 Major League Baseball season.

Five of them play for the

Mets. What started as a quirky but painful oddity is no longer funny. The Mets started the season by getting hit 18 times in the first 19 games, putting them on pace to shatter the single season mark. Entering play on Wednesday, they've been dotted up 40 times in 58 games, still putting them on pace to break the record of 105 hit by pitches set by last year's Reds.

In late-April, as the hit-by-pitch barrage showed no signs of slowing down, Mets manager Buck Showalter said, "It's painful, and it's also scary. You got less than a second to react."

That must be how the team felt on Tuesday night as yet another pitch struck a Mets' batter. Unfortunately, this time the pitch could have a much bigger impact than helping the team chase a record they do not want. Yu Darvish's 95 mile per hour sinker bit Pete Alonso on the right hand, taking the Mets' All-Star first baseman out of the game and potentially out of several others moving forward.

Showalter When answered a reporter's question about Alonso only missing a few games with, "I love your optimism but I don't share it at this point," he certainly hinted that this could be a

about a client who is likely to opt out of his contract and hit the free agent market after the season, and it speaks to just how big of a story this could be if they once again fail to maintain a

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Red Sox's Xander Bogaerts slides safely into third base

in Oakland, California, on Saturday. JEFF CHIU/AP

status remains

front of mind

By Jason Mastrodonato

BOSTON — There was

a lot to talk about after the

Red Sox' won their sixth

game in a row on Tuesday

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6-5 win over the Angels

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pects after failing to sign

him to a contract exten-

Tuesday, agent Scott

Boras told MLB.com that

Bogaerts is "just step-

sion in spring training.

manager, Joe Maddon.

Bogaerts conversation.

The Angels lost Mike

Tanner Houck was

RED SOX

Boston Herald

night.

during the eighth inning against the Athletics on Saturday

Bogaerts' contract

franchise player just four years after Mookie Betts was traded to the Dodgers in the final year of his contract.

Boras was already on the record in late May, when he told the Globe that Bogaerts would not negotiate an extension during the season.

We know by now that Bogaerts is an average-to-below-average shortstop by the advanced defensive metrics but an above-average one based on fielding percentage, a perfectly fine profile for a player at a premium position, especially when the player has the highest OPS (.892) of any short-stop in baseball over the past five seasons.

In that span, the only other shortstop within .040 OPS points of Bogaerts is his teammate, Trevor Story (.862).

major blow for the surging Mets. Though initial x-rays didn't show a fracture or break. Alonso looked to be in excruciating pain, as one would expect after getting hit by a baseball moving that fast.

Of the five Mets that have been hit at least four times — Alonso, Brandon Nimmo, Mark Canha, Starling Marte and Francisco Lindor - three of them have a track record of getting regularly drilled. Nimmo led the league when he was hit 22 times in 2018, a dubious distinction that also earned him the Mets' single-season record. Marte once had 24 pitches burrow in on him while playing for Pittsburgh in 2013. The veteran outfielder has played six different seasons with double-digit HBP totals. Since 2018, Canha has been hit by the post pitches of anyone not named Anthony Rizzo, the human target that turned getting nicked into an art form. Last season, Canha's 27 hit by pitches led the major leagues.

While Alonso has taken his fair share — he was the victim of 21 bean balls when he set the rookie record for home runs in 2019 — he also didn't get this many pitches in his kitchen last season. Alonso's reasonable total of 12 hit by pitches in 2021 is looking like a pleasant walk in the park now. At his current pace, Alonso could end up with 20 baseball-sized bruises by the end of 2022. That is, if this recent HBP-caused injury doesn't keep him out for too long.

BASEBALL LATE TUESDAY

Yankees hit 3 homers to defeat Twins for 7th straight victory

Associated Press

Anthony Rizzo hit a three-run home run in the seventh inning to crack open a close game for the New York Yankees, who brushed off a rare bad start by Jameson Taillon to beat the Minnesota Twins 10-4 on Tuesday night in Minneapolis for their seventh straight victory.

Aaron Judge and Giancarlo Stanton got the visitors going with first-inning homers, the 23rd time they've gone deep in the same game in five seasons together. The Yankees have only lost once when that happens: in the Field of Dreams game in Iowa last Aug. 12.

The Yankees (40-15) lead the major leagues with the best 55-game record in baseball since Seattle in 2001. That's actually a lower winning percentage than the astounding 110-38 record the Yankees have built, including the playoffs, against the Twins since 2002. They are 32-12 all time at Target Field, which the Twins opened in 2010.

Taillon, who took a perfect game through seven innings in his last start, was pulled with no outs in the fifth. The Twins knocked him around for nine hits and four runs, both season highs for the right-hander.

Red Sox 6, Angels 5 (10): At Anaheim, Calif., the Los Angeles Angels matched a franchise record with their 13th straight defeat hours after firing manager Joe Maddon, falling to streaking Boston on Christian Vázquez's go-ahead single in the 10th inning Tuesday

Interim boss Phil Nevin lost his managerial debut and Angels star Mike Trout exited with left groin tightness as Los Angeles tied the franchise mark for its longest skid set in 1988-89. Boston won its sixth straight with a 15-hit effort, including two from Vázquez. Bobby Dalbec had

two RBIs. With Trevor Story as

the automatic runner in

the 10th, Vázquez had a

one-out base hit through

the hole at second base off Jaime Barria (1-1) to drive in the go-ahead run.

Padres 7, Mets 0: At San Diego, Yu Darvish held the Mets hitless until the sixth inning and Jurickson Profar launched a leadoff homer for San Diego Padres in a matchup between two of the National League's best teams.

Darvish (5-3) allowed only two hits in seven innings while striking out six and walking none on 100 pitches. He hit three of the Mets' first five batters with pitches, including Brandon Nimmo to open the game. Darvish plunked Pete Alonso and Jeff McNeil to start the second, then retired 14 straight until Mark Canha singled for the Mets' first hit with two outs in the sixth.

The Mets, who won the series opener 11-5 on Monday behind Eduardo Escobar's cycle and six RBIs, lost Alonso when he was hit by a pitch on his right hand. Initial X-rays were negative, but further tests were planned.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	40	15	.727	_	_	- 8-2		23-7	17-8
Toronto	33	23	.589	7 ½	7½ –		L-1	18-10	15-13
Tampa Bay	32	23	.582	8	-	6-4	W-1	19-13	13-10
Boston	29	27	.518	11 ½	_	7-3	W-6	13-14	16-13
Baltimore	24	33	.421	17	5 ½	5-5	W-1	15-15	9-18
CENTRAL	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Minnesota	32	25	.561	_	_	4-6	L-1	17-12	15-13
Chicago	26	27	.491	4	1 ½	4-6	W-3	12-13	14-14
Cleveland	25	26	.490	4	1 ½	7-3	L-1	12-9	13-17
Detroit	23	33	.411	8 1/2	6	6-4	W-2	15-15	8-18
Kansas City	18	37	.327	13	10 ½	2-8	W-1	10-19	8-18
WEST	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Houston	36	20	.643	_	_	7-3	W-1	15-7	21-13
Los Angeles	27	30	.474	9 1/2	2 1/2	0-10	L-13	15-15	12-15
Texas	26	29	.473	9 1/2	2 1/2	4-6	W-1	13-16	13-13
Seattle	25	31	.446	11	11 4 6-4 L-1		L-1	12-10	13-21
Oakland	20	37	.351	16 ½	9 1/2	1-9	L-7	7-23	13-14

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	38	20	.655	_	_	7-3	L-1	19-8	19-12
Atlanta	29	27	.518	8	1	7-3	W-6	15-14	14-13
Philadelphia	26	29	.473	10 ½	3 ½	5-5	W-5	15-15	11-14
Miami	23	30	.434	12 ½	5 ½	5-5	W-1	13-14	10-16
Washington	21	36	.368	16 ½	9 1/2	4-6	L-1	9-18	12-18
CENTRAL	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Milwaukee	33	24	.579	_	_	4-6	L-4	15-10	18-14
St. Louis	32	24	.571	1/2	_	6-4	L-1	16-11	16-13
Pittsburgh	24	30	.444	7 ½	5	6-4	L-2	13-17	11-13
Chicago	23	33	.411	9 ½	7	4-6	L-3	11-20	12-13
Cincinnati	20	35	.364	12	9 1/2	5-5	W-2	12-15	8-20
WEST	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Los Angeles	35	20	.636	_	_	4-6	L-3	17-10	18-10
San Diego	34	22	.607	1 ½	-	5-5	W-1	14-11	20-11
San Francisco	29	25	.537	5 ½	_	5-5	L-1	13-12	16-13
Arizona	26	31	.456	10	4 1/2	3-7	L-4	14-16	12-15
Colorado	24	31	.436	11	5 ½	4-6	W-1	16-16	8-15

TODAY'S PITCHING COMPARISON

INTERLEAGUE

BOX SCOP	(1=)	<u> </u>				
LATE TUESD						
Washington		HIN R	GIC	DN 2 Bi	so	AVG
Hernandez 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.266
d-Stg-Gordon	1	Ō	1	Ō	Ō	.305
Thomas cf-lf	5	1	2	0	0	.232
Soto rf	2	0	0	0	0	.225
Cruz dh	3	0	1	1	1	.253
Bell 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.296
Hernandez If	2	0	0	0	2	.272
b-Adrianza If-3	b2	0	0	0	1	.000
Ruiz c	4	0	0	0	0	.248
Franco 3b	3	0	1	0	1	.271
Robles cf	1	0	1	0	0	.242
L.Garcia ss	4	1	2	1	0	.391
	35	2	8	2	6	
Miami /	٩B	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Chisholm Jr. 2l	5	2	2	6	2	.255
Cooper dh	5	1	2	0	1	.305
Soler If	4	1	2	2	1	.221
c-Astudillo 3b	1	0	0	0	1	.263
Aguilar 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.242
A.Garcia rf	4	1	3	0	1	.230
Williams If	1	0	0	0	0	.250
Sanchez cf	0	0	0	0	0	.229
a-De La Cruz cf-rf	5	1	1	0	1	.244
Berti 3b-cf	3	1	0	0	1	.273

Washington 050 520 000 -12 14 1 a-singled for Sanchez in the 2nd. b-flied out for Hernandez in the 7th. c-pinch hit for Soler in the 7th. d-singled for Hernandez in the 9th. E: Rojas (3). LOB: Washington 9, Miami 6. 2B: Franco (15), Thomas (7), Cruz (7), Soler (11), Cooper (14). **HR:** L.Garcia (1), off Cabrera; Chisholm

Rojas ss

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Soler (12), off Machado; Chisholm Jr. (10), off Machado. **RBIs:** L.Garcia (6), Cruz (29), Fortes 4 (6), Chisholm Jr. 6(37), Soler 2(29). **SB:** Soto (5), Berti (8).

Jr. (9), off Adon; Fortes (2), off Adon;

Runners left in scoring position: Washington 5(Cruz, Thomas, Hernandez, Bell, Adrianza); Miami 3(Astudillo 2, De La Cruz).

RISP: Washington 3for 11: Miami 6for 12. Runners moved up: Berti, Aguilar. WASHINGTON IP H R ER BB SO ERA 3 7 8 8 2 2 6.95 2 4 4 4 1 2 7.04 1½ 2 0 0 1 3 13.50 1⅓ 1 0 0 0 2 3.38 Adon, L, 1-10 Machado MIAMI IP H R ER BB SO ERA Cabrera, W, 2-0 6 2 1 1 2 0 1 2 1 1 2 0 1 2 0 0 1 0 0 0

HBP: Cabrera (Soto). Umpires: Home, Nic Lentz; First, Nestor Ceja; Second, Ted Barrett; Third, Lance Barksdale. T: 2:57. A: 7,112(36,742).

PHILADELPHIA 3, MILWAUKEE 2											
Philadelphia .	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG					
Schwarber If	3	0	0	0	1	.194					
Hoskins 1b	5	0	2	0	2	.221					
Harper dh	3	0	1	1	0	.309					
Castellanos rf	4	0	2	0	0	.249					
Realmuto c	4	0	0	0	0	.247					
Gregorius ss	3	0	1	0	0	.302					
Bohm 3b	4	1	1	1	1	.262					
Stott 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.152					
Moniak cf	3	1	1	0	0	.188					
a-Vierling ph-		1	1	1	0	.188					
TOTALS	34	3	9	3	6						
Milwaukee	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG					
Urias ss	4	0	0	0	2	.234					
Taylor cf	4	0	0	0	0	.225					
Yelich If	4	2	2	0	0	.224					
McCutchen dh		0	2	1	1	.224					
Renfroe rf	4	0	0	0	2	.259					
Tellez 1b	4	0	2	1	0	.254					
Caratini c	3	0	0	0	0	.208					
1-Cain pr	0	0	0	0	0	.169					
Wong 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.228					
Hiura 2b	2	0	0	0	1	.213					
Peterson 2b	0	0	0	0	0	.230					
Reyes 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.286					
TOTALS	33	2	7	2	7						
Philadelphia Milwaukee		000			- 3	9 0					

a-homered for Moniak in the 9th. 1-ran for Caratini in the 9th. E: Hiura (2) LOB: Philadelphia 8, Milwaukee 7. 2B: McCutchen (7), Tellez (13), 3B: Gregorius (1), HR: Bohm (4), off Hader: Vier ling (1), off Hader. RBIs: Harper (41), Bohm (20), Vierling (5), McCutchen (21), Tellez (37). SF: Harper. **Runners left in scoring position:** Philadelphia 2 (Stott, Realmuto); Milwaukee 4(Reyes 2. Caratini, Renfroe), RISP: Philadelphia 1for 7; Milwaukee 1for 4. Runners moved up: Hoskins. GIDP: Realmuto, Harper, Caratini, DP: Philadelphia 1 (Bohm, Stott, Hoskins); Milwaukee 2 (Urias, Reyes, Urias; Reyes, Hiura,

PHILADELPHIA	IP	п	ĸ	EK	DD	30	EKA
Suarez	7	6	2	2	0	5	4.42
Brogdon, W, 1-0	1	1	0	0	0	1	2.38
Knebel, S, 10-13	1	0	0	0	3	1	3.38
MILWAUKEE	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Alexander	5	7	1	1	2	1	2.25
Milner, H, 2	1	0	0	0	1	2	2.82
Boxberger, H, 12	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.53
Williams, H, 13	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.86
Hader, L, 0-1, BS, 18	-191	2	2	2	0	2	0.96
WP: Suarez.							
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Umpires: Home, Laz Diaz; First, Tripp Gibson; Second, Nate Tomlinson; Third, T: 3:00. **A:** 27,109(41,900).

ON THIS DATE

1901: The New York Giants set a major league record with 31 hits in beating Cincinnati 25-13. Al Selbach of the Giants went 6-for-7 with two doubles and four singles and scored four runs.

1906: Boston snapped a 19-game losing streak by beating the St. Louis Cardi-2014: Lonnie Chisenhall had nine RRIs

and three home runs in a five-hit game, Michael Brantley scored five times and the Cleveland Indians beat the Texas

2015: Chris Heston pitched the first no-hitter in his 13th career start, leading the San Francisco Giants over the New York Mets 5-0. The rookie allowed three baserunners-- all on hit batters. He also had a two-run single for his first big league RBIs and finished with two more hits than the Mets. **2019:** Former Boston Red Sox star David Ortiz shot in the back while visiting in his native Dominican Republic.

LATE TUESI	DAY:					
BALTIMORI	E 9, (HI.	CUI	BS 3	3	
Chi Cubs	AB	R	Н	ВІ	SO	AVG
Morel cf	5	1	2	2	1	.298
Contreras c	3	1	1	1	0	.277
Higgins c	0	0	0	0	0	.314
Happ If	4	0	1	0	1	.269
Schwindel 1b	5	0	1	0	2	.239
Wisdom 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.222
Ortega dh	3	0	0	0	1	.263
a-Frazier ph-	dh1	0	0	0	0	.216
Hoerner ss	4	0	1	0	0	.293
Heyward rf	2	1	1	0	0	.217
Madrigal 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.214
TOTALS	34	3	7	3	6	
Baltimore	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	4	1	1	1	0	.237
Mancini dh	4	1	1	1	1	.303
Santander rf	2	1	1	0	0	.231
Hays If	4	2	2	2	0	.292
Mountcastle	1b3	0	1	1	1	.257
Rutschman c	4	0	1	0	0	.145
Odor 2b	3	1	0	0	2	.221
Urias 3b	3	2	1	1	2	.225
Mateo ss	3	1	1	3	1	.210
TOTALS	30	9	9	9	7	

a-flied out for Ortega in the 8th. LOB: Chicago 11, Baltimore 2 **2B:** Hays (13), Mountcastle (6). 3B: Morel (2). HR: Morel (3), off Bradish: Contreras (10), off Bradish; Mullins (6), off Thompson; Mancini (6), off Thompson; Mateo (4), off Thompson; Hays (7), off Mills; Urias (6), off Mills.

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Baltimore

RBIs: Morel 2(10), Contreras (23), Mullins (20), Mancini (24), Mateo 3(15), Hays 2(30), Mountcastle (25), Urias (18). SF: Mountcastle. Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 5(Ortega 2, Wisdom, Morel, Contreras); Baltimore 1(Rutschman). RISP: Chicago Ofor 7; Baltimore 1for 2. Runners moved up: Madrigal.

GIDP: Hays, Mountcastle. DP: Chicago

2(Wisdom, Madrigal, Schwindel; Wisdom, Madrigal, Schwindel).									
CHI. CUBS	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	ERA		
Thompson, L, 6-1 Mills	3 5	5 4	7 2	7	1 1	1 6	3.17 3.60		
BALTIMORE	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA		
Bradish	42/3	4	2	2	5	5	6.45		
Baker, W, 2-3	11/3	1	1						
Bautista	1	0			0	0			
Vespi	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.00		
Gillaspie	1	1	0	0	1	1	1.00		
Pitches-Strikes	s: T	hon	nps	son	50-3	33; 1	∕Iills		
73-50; Bradish	105	-60	; Ba	akei	25	-14;			
Bautista 7-3; V	esp	i 10	-8;	Gill	asp	ie 2	5-11		
Inherited runn	ers.	SCO	ore	d: B	ake	r 1-	0.		

Umpires: Home, Mark Wegner; First, Adam Beck; Second, Bruce Dreckman;

HBP: Thompson 2(Odor, Urias).

Third, Jeremie Rehak.

T: 2:53. **A:** 11,509(45,971).

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4 41 AB 4	1 10 R	2 14 H	1 10 BI	1 10 SO	.186
41 AB 4	10 R	14 H	10 BI	10 SO	AVG
AB	R	Н	BI	SO	
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1	0	0	0	1	.200
4	1	1	0	3	.217
5	1	4	2	0	.240
3	0	1	1	0	.255
4	0	0	0	1	.224
4	0	0	0	0	.252
4	1	2	0	0	.274
4	0	1	0	1	.345
3	0	1	1	1	.208
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E: Rizzo (3), Donaldson (4), Luetge (2). LOB: New York 13, Minnesota 9. 2B: Buxton (8), Polanco (9), HR: Judge (22), off Sands; Stanton (12), off Sands: Rizzo (14), off Duffey: Polanco (7), off Taillon **RBIs:** Judge 3(45), Stanton (36), LeMahieu (24), Rizzo 3(38), Trevino (16), Gallo (10), Kepler (26), Polanco 2 (31), Palacios (2). **SF:** Kepler, Palacios. Runners left in scoring position: New York 6(Kiner-Falefa 2, Judge 3, Stanton); Minnesota 4(Urshela, Sanchez 2, Buxton). RISP: New York 4for 12; Minnesota 2 for 8. Runners moved up: Hicks, Larnach. GIDP: Kepler. DP: New York 1(Rizzo, Donaldson, Rizzo).

NI TANKEES	IP	п	ĸ	EK	DD	30	EKA
Taillon	4	9	4	4	1	3	2.73
Luetge, W, 2-2	12/3	1	0	0	0	0	5.14
Peralta, H, 3	11/3	1	0	0	0	1	1.83
Marinaccio	2	1	0	0	0	3	4.82
MINNESOTA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Sands, L, 0-2	32/3	8	4	4	2	3	8.49
Minaya	1	1	1	1	3	3	8.53
Cano	11/3	0	0	0	2		10.13
Duffey	1	2	3	3	1	2	6.55
Megill	2	3	2	2	1	1	2.53
Inherited run	ners-	SCO	ore	d: L	uet	ge 1	-0,
Peralta 1-0, M	inay	a 2	-0,	Can	o 3-	0.	
IBB: off Duffe	y (Ju	dge	e). I	HBP	: M	arin	ac-
cio (Buxton).	WP:	Mir	nay	a, D	uffe	ey.	
Umpires: Hon	ne, A	lex	To	si; F	irst	, To	dd
Tichenor; Sec	ond,	Jol	nn I	Libk	a; T	hire	d,
Jim Reynolds.	T: 3:	50.	A:	27.6	5430	38.5	544).

CAREER STRIKEOUT LEADERS									
PITCHER	SO	ERA	ВВ	SO 9					
Nolan Ryan	5714	3.19	2795	9.5					
Randy Johnson	4875	3.29	1497	10.6					
Roger Clemens	4672	3.12	1580	8.6					
Steve Carlton	4136	3.22	1833	7.1					
Bert Blyleven	3701	3.31	1322	6.7					
Tom Seaver	3640	2.86	1390	6.8					
Don Sutton	3574	3.26	1343	6.1					
Gaylord Perry	3534	3.11	1379	5.9					
Walter Johnson	3509	2.17	1363	5.3					
Greg Maddux	3371	3.16	999	6.1					
Phil Niekro	3342	3.35	1809	5.6					
Fergie Jenkins Pedro Martínez	3192 3154	3.34 2.93	997 760	6.4					
Bob Gibson	3117	2.93	1336	7.2					
Curt Schilling	3116	3.46	711	8.6					
CC Sabathia	3093	3.74	1099	7.8					
Justin Verlander	3086	3.30	865	9.1					
John Smoltz	3084	3.33	1010	8.0					
Max Scherzer	3079	3.15	688	10.7					
Jim Bunning	2855	3.27	1000	6.8					
Zack Greinke	2834	3.44	722	8.1					
Mickey Lolich	2832	3.44	1099	7.0					
Mike Mussina	2813	3.68	785	7.1					
Cy Young	2803	2.63	1217	3.4					
Frank Tanana	2773	3.66	1255	6.0					

Clayton Kershaw 2702 2.48 609 9.8

through Tuesday

LATE TUESDAY: TAMPA BAY 4, ST. LOUIS 2 (10)											
St. Louis	AB	R	н	ВІ	SO	AVG					
Edman 2b-ss	5	1	1	0	1	.278					
Goldschmidt	1b4	0	1	0	0	.341					
Arenado 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.272					
Pujols dh	3	0	1	0	2	.211					
-Nootbaar d		1	0	1	0	.152					
)'Neill lf	5	0	2	0	3	.203					
Bader cf	4	0	2	1	0	.276					
∕Iolina c	4	0	2	0	1	.226					
Sosa ss	2	0	0	0	0	.211					
ı-Gorman 2b	1	0	0	0	1	.298					
:-Yepez ph-rf		0	0	0	0	.267					
onovan rf-2l		0	0	0	0	.306					
OTALS	37	2	9	2	9						
ampa Bay	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG					
rozarena If	3	0	0	0	1	.259					
hoi 1b	4	0	1	0	1	.263					
/largot dh	4	1	1	0	0	.301					
(iermaier cf	4	0	0	0	2	.207					
aredes 3b	2	1	0	1	0	.197					
Phillips rf	3	1	0	0	1	.178					
∕lejia c	3	0	0	0	1	.225					
l-Diaz ph	1	0	0	0	0	.280					
Walls ss	4	1	1	3	0	.154					
Brujan 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.129					
		4	3	4	7						
OTALS	31	4	3	*	•						

000 000 100 3-4 3 0 Tampa Bay Two outs when winning run scored. a-struck out for Sosa in the 7th. b-walked for Pujols in the 8th. c-grounded out for Gorman in the 9th. d-popped out for Mejia in the 10th. E: Sosa (3), LOB: St. Louis 11, Tampa Bay 3. 2B: Molina (5), Goldschmidt (19), Choi (10), Margot (6). HR: Walls (3), off VerHagen. RBIs: Bader (19), Nootbaar (6), Paredes (11), Walls 3(7). SF: Nootbaar, Paredes.

Runners left in scoring position: St. Louis 5(Sosa 3, Molina, Arenado); Tampa Bay 1(Kiermaier). RISP: St. Louis 2for 8: Tampa Bay 1for 6. Runners moved up: Kiermaier GIDP: Arenado, Mejia. DP: St. Louis 1(Arenado, Goldschmidt, osa, Goldschmidt); Tampa Bay 1

Hudson	7	2	1	1	1	6	2.76
Gallegos	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.32
Helsley	1	0	0	0	1	0	0.40
VerHagen, L, 3-1	, 2/3	1	3	2	1	0	4.96
BS, ()-1						
TAMPA BAY	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Springs	6	6	0	0	2	5	1.62
Wisler	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.28
Kittredge, BS, 5-	R 1	2	1	1	1	1	3.15
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(Brujan, Walls, Choi).

ST. LOUIS

Poche, W, 2-0 1 1 1 0 0 1 1 3.52 Poche, W, 2-u
HBP: Poche (Arenado).
Umpires: Home, Nick Mahrley; First,
Mark Carlson; Second, Will Little; Third, Pat Hoberg. T: 3:13. **A:** 10,905(25,000).

DAY:	V A	AET.	s 0		
AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
3	0	0	0	1	.266
1	0	0	0	0	.277
3	0	1	0	0	.302
4	0	0	0	1	.253
0	0	0	0	0	.282
3	0	0	0	1	.243
2	0	0	0	1	.311
3	0	1	0	1	.243
3	0	0	0	1	.330
3	0	0	0	1	.267
3	0	0	0	0	.171
28	0	2	0	7	
AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
2	2	1	1	0	.248
2b3	1	1	2	0	.216
4	0	1	2	1	.325
3	0	0	1	1	.227
4	1	1	0	0	.289
3	1	1	0	0	.300
f 0	0	0	0	0	.275
4	0	0	0	0	.205
4	1	1	1	1	.177
3	1	0	0	1	.209
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E: Mazeika (0), McNeil (3). LOB: New York 4. San Diego 6. 2B: Escobar (15). HR: Profar (7), off Walker. RBIs: Profar (29), Grisham (19), Cronenworth 2(28), Machado 2(34), Voit (17). **CS:** Marte (5). **SF:** Voit. Runners left in scoring position: New York 2(Plummer, Guillorme 3(Machado, Hosmer, Kim). RISP: New York Ofor 4; San Diego 3for 9. Runners moved up: Kim.

DP: San Diego 1(Nola, Kim, Nola).

a-walked for Mazara in the 7th.

1-ran for Alonso in the 2nd

N.Y. Mets

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NY METS	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	S0	ERA			
Walker, L, 3-2 Holderman Shreve	6 1/3 12/3	5 1 0	4 3 0	4 3 0	2 3 1	4 0 0	3.28 3.18 3.86			
SAN DIEGO	IP	н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ERA			
Darvish, W, 5-3 7 2 0 0 0 6 3.61 Morejon 2 0 0 0 0 1 0.00 Inherited runners-scored: Shreve 1-0. HBP: Darvish 3 (Nimmo, Alonso, McNeil). Umpires: Home, Phil Cuzzi; First, Mala- chi Moore; Second, Tom Hallion; Third,										
Mark Ripperge T: 2:48. A: 31,7		40,2	209).						

NATIONAL LEA					
BATTING AVG.	G	AB	R	Н	AVG.
Goldschmidt StL	54	208	39	71	.341
M.Machado SD	54	206	38	67	.325
Iglesias Col	45	163	18	51	.313
McNeil NYM	54	190	27	59	.311
Harper Phi	49	191	39	59	.309
Cooper Mia	49	174	19	53	.305
Canha NYM	46	162	27	49	.302
Betts LAD	53	215	52	65	.302
T.Turner LAD	55	214	26	64	.299
Bell Was	56	206	29	61	.296

Alonso, New York, 16; Schwarber, Philadelphia, 14: C.Walker, Arizona, 14: Cron, Colorado, 14; Riley, Atlanta, 14; Pederson, San Francisco, 13; Harper, Philadelphia, 13: 4 tied at 12. Runs Batted In: Alonso, New York, 54; Goldschmidt, St. Louis, 47; Lindor, New York, 45: T.Turner, Los Angeles, 44: Harper, Philadelphia, 41: Cron. Colo rado, 41; Arenado, St. Louis, 39; Betts, Los Angeles, 39.

Home Runs: Betts, Los Angeles, 16:

Pitching: T.Anderson, Los Angeles, 7-0: Carrasco, New York, 7-1; Musgrove, San Diego, 6-0: Gonsolin, Los Angeles, 6-0: K.Thompson, Chicago, 6-1; Alcantara Miami, 6-2; Buehler, Los Angeles, 6-2; Wright, Atlanta, 6-3; Gray, Washington, 6-4: 3 tied at 5-1 through Tuesday

LATE TUESD CHI WHITE S		4, L.	A. D	100	GE	RS 0
LA Dodgers	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Betts rf	4	0	1	0	1	.302
Freeman 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.288
T.Turner ss	3	0	1	0	0	.299
Smith c	4	0	1	0	0	.228
J.Turner 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.223
Bellinger cf	3	0	0	0	2	.208
Alvarez dh	2	0	0	0	1	.286
b-Alberto ph-o	lh1	0	0	0	1	.237
Taylor If	3	0	0	0	2	.257
Lux 2b	2	0	1	0	0	.265
TOTALS	30	0	5	0	9	
White Sox	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Mendick ss	4	1	1	0	1	.313
Vaughn lf-rf	3	0	0	0	1	.291
1-Engel pr-rf	0	0	0	0	0	.248
Robert cf	4	0	0	0	1	.288
Abreu 1b	4	1	2	0	0	.260
Sheets rf	2	0	0	0	0	.203
a-Pollock ph-li		1	1	2	0	.220
Burger dh	3	1	1	1	1	.248
Moncada 3b	3	0	1	0	0	.143
McGuire c	3	0	1	1	1	.223
Harrison 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.176
TOTALS	31	4	7	4	6	
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LA Dodgers Chi White Sox	000		00v		4	70

1-ran for Vaughn in the 7th. LOB: Los Angeles 6, Chicago 6. 2B: Pollock (8), Burger (6). RBIs: Pollock 2(13), Burger (18), McGuire (8). SB: Lux (5), Engel (7), T.Turner (12). Runners left in scoring position: Los Angeles 4(Betts, Alberto, J.Turner, Bell-inger); Chicago 4(Harrison 3, Abreu). RISP: Los Angeles Ofor 7; Chicago 4

a-doubled for Sheets in the 6th.

GIDP: Smith, Freeman. **DP:** Chicago 2(Mendick, Harrison, Abreu; Mendick, Abreu).

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LA DODGERS	IP	н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ERA
White	5	2	0	0	0	5	3.86
Bickford, L, 0-1	2/3	2	2		0	0	4.41
Price	1/3	3	2			0	
Almonte	1	0	0		1	1	1.38
Bruihl	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.35
WHITE SOX	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Kopech, W, 2-2	6	1	0	0	1	8	1.94
Lopez	2/3	2				0	4.37
Bummer	1/3	0				1	
Graveman	1	2	0	0	0	0	2.45
Hendriks	1	0	0	0	1	0	2.92
Inherited runr	iers-	·sc	ore	d: P	rice	2-2	,
Bummer 1-0. I	BB:	off	Pri	ce (Moi	nca	da).
HBP: White (B	urae	er).					
Umpires: Hom	ie, R	yar	ı W	ills:	Fire	st,	
Jerry Meals; S	ecoi	id,	Ed	Hic	kox	; Th	ird,
Jansen Viscon	ti.						
T: 2:49. A: 25.6	25(4	0.6	15).			

Boston	ΔB	R	GELS H	BI	SO	AVG
Hernandez cf		0	1	1	2	.209
Devers 3b	4	1	2	0	0	.342
Martinez dh	5	0	2	0	0	.359
Bogaerts ss	4	0	1	0	2	.320
a-Cordero ph		0	0	0	0	.235
Story 2b	5	2	2	1	2	.229
Verdugo If	5	2	2	0	0	.250
Vazquez c	4	0	2	1	1	.288
Arroyo rf	4	1	0	1	0	.183
Bradley Jr. rf-		0	1	0	0	.227
Dalbec 1b	5	0	2	2	1	.187
TOTALS	43	6	15	6	8	
LA Angels	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Rengifo 2b	4	1	0	0	2	.233
Ohtani dh	4	1	1	0	1	.242
Trout cf	2	1	2	2	0	.284
1-Adell pr-rf	2	1	1	1	1	.216
Walsh 1b	5	0	0	0	3	.247
Stassi c	4	0	1	1	2	.250
Marsh If	4	0	0	0	0	.246
c-Suzuki ph	1	0	0	0	0	.222
Lagares rf-cf	4	1	1	0	2	.250
14/- de 21	4	0	2	0	2	.218
Wade 3b-ss				-	1	.178
	3	0	0	1		
Wade 3b-ss Velazquez ss b-Duffy ph-3b		0	0	0	0	.306

211 010 000 0-5 L.A. Angels a-flied out for Bogaerts in the 9th. b-popped out for Velazquez in the 9th. c-grounded out for Marsh in the 10th. 1-ran for Trout in the 3rd F: Dalhed (2). LOB: Boston 10, Los Angeles 8. 2B: Martinez (20), Story (14), Vazquez (10), Devers (23), Ohtani (11), Trout 4), Stassi (4), Adell (4), Wade (5). HR: Trout (14), off Whitlock. RBIs: Arroyo (10), Dalbec 2(12), Hernandez (24), Story (41), Vazquez (23), Trout 2 (30), Velazguez (12), Stassi (12), Adell (10). SB: Dalbec (1). CS: Wade (5). Runners left in scoring position: Bostor 5(Vazguez, Bogaerts, Hernandez 2 Story); Los Angeles 4(Adell, Suzuki, Marsh 2). **RISP:** Boston 7for 21; Los Angeles 3 for 15. Runners moved up: Arroyo 2, Martinez. GIDP: Dalbec, Devers. **DP:** Los Angeles 2(Wade, Rengifo, Walsh; Rengifo, Wade, Walsh). BOSTON IP H R ER BB SO ERA

Whitlock	4	6	4	4	0	5	3.51	
Diekman	1	1	1	1	2	2	3.79	
Sawamura	11/3	0	0	0	0	1	2.79	
Davis	2/3	0	0	0	1	1	1.64	
Houck, W, 4-3	2	1	0	0	1	3	3.54	
Strahm, S, 2-3	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.94	
LA ANGELS	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	
Suarez	5	7	3	3	2	3	5.96	
Ortega, H, 5	1	2	1	1	0	1	3.75	
Tepera, BS, 1-5	1	3	1	1	0	2	4.18	
Quijada	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.08	
Iglesias	1	1	0	0	0	1	4.66	
Barria, L, 1-1	1	2	1	0	0	0	3.18	
IBB: off Houck	(Oh	tar	ni).	WP	: Die	ekm	ıan,	

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS G AB R H AVG. BATTING AVG. Arraez Min 48 166 30 60 .361 J.Martinez Bos Anderson ChW 46 181 40 163 33 65 24 58 **Devers Bos** 56 234 43 80 26 72 23 48 France Sea 56 222 Kirk Tor Bogaerts Bos 55 206 36 66 17 63 46 64 Benintendi KC 53 197 .320 Judge NYY Mancini Bal 53 201 24 61 .303

Home Runs: Judge, New York, 22; Alvarez. Houston, 17: Trout, Los Angeles, 14: J.Ramirez, Cleveland, 14; Rizzo, New Runs Batted In: J.Ramirez, Cleveland.

53; Judge, New York, 45; Story, Boston, 41; Rizzo, New York, 38. Pitching: Manoah, Toronto, 7-1; Verlander, Houston, 7-2; Taillon, New York, 6-1; F.Valdez, Houston, 6-2; McClanahan, Tampa Bay, 6-2; Cimber, Toronto 6-2 through Tuesday

TM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	ΙP	ERA	W-L	ΙP	ERA
StL	Mikolas (R)		4-3	3.02	7-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	17.1	6.75
TB	McClanahan (L)	1:10p	6-2	2.10	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	18.0	1.50
LAD	Anderson (L)		7-0	2.59	6-2	0-0	6.2	4.05	3-0	20.0	0.00
ChW	Cease (R)	2:10p	4-2	3.39	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	14.2	4.30
AME	RICAN LEAGUE		20)22		202	1 VS	OPP	LAST	3 ST/	ARTS
TM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	ΙP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
Oak	Kaprielian (R)		0-3	6.06	4-3	0-1	2.0	18.00	0-1	14.2	7.98
Cle	Pilkington (L)	7:10p	1-0	2.65	2-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	12.0	3.75
NYY	Cole (R)		5-1	2.78	8-3	2-0	12.0	1.50	1-1	21.0	2.57
Min	Bundy (R)	7:40p	3-3	5.57	3-6	0-0	3.2	4.91	0-1	14.0	6.43
Bal	Zimmermann (L	.)	2-4	4.87	5-6	1-0	6.0	3.00	0-2	16.0	8.44
KC	Bubic (L)	8:10p	0-3	9.33	2-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	10.1	6.10
Bos	Pivetta (R)		5-4	3.50	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	19.0	1.89
ΙΔΔ	Ohtani (R)	9.38n	3-4	3 99	3-6	1-0	7.0	0.00	0-2	15.0	6.60

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LAA	Ohtani (R)	9:38p	3-4	3.99	3-6	1-0	7.0	0.00	0-2	15.0	6.60
NATI	ONAL LEAGUE		202	1 VS	OPP	LAST	3 ST/	ARTS			
TM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	ΙP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
Ari	Davies (R)		2-3	4.18	4-7		15.0			16.2	
Cin	Mahle (R)	12:35p	2-5	5.43	4-8	0-0	10.2	0.00	0-1	16.2	5.94
Phi	Eflin (R)		2-4	3.88	4-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	21.0	3.86
Mil	Burnes (R)	2:10p	3-3	2.50	6-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	16.2	3.24
Col	Gomber (L)		2-6	6.54	3-7	0-1	5.1	8.44	0-3	13.1	12.83
SF	Webb (R)	3:45p	5-1	3.82	8-3	0-0	7.0	3.86	0-0	17.2	4.58
Was	Strasburg (R)		0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	11.2	3.09
Mia	Rogers (L)	6:40p	2-5	5.80	2-8	1-0	6.0	1.50	0-1	12.2	9.24
Pit	Brubaker (R)		0-5	4.70	5-6	0-1	5.1	11.81	0-1	15.2	2.87
Atl	Fried (L)	7:20p	5-2	2.74	7-4	1-1	12.0	5.25	1-0	20.0	1.35
TR: Te	eam's record in	games s	tarted	by to	day's pi	tcher.					

Vs. Opp: Pitcher's record versus this opponent.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE **AMERICAN LEAGUE**

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS Detroit 3, Pittsburgh 1 Kansas City 8, Toronto 4 Seattle at Houston, late St. Louis at Tampa Bay, late Texas at Cleveland, late Oakland at Atlanta, late N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, late L.A. Dodgers at Chi. White Sox. late Boston at L.A. Angels, late Chi. Cubs at Baltimore, ppd

FRIDAY'S GAMES Chi. Cubs at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05p.m. Oakland at Cleveland, 7:10n.m. Toronto at Detroit, 7:10p.m. Baltimore at Kansas City, 8:10p.m. Miami at Houston, 8:10p.m. Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 8:10p.m. Texas at Chi. White Sox, 8:10p.m. N.Y. Mets at L.A. Angels, 9:38p.m. Boston at Seattle, 10:10p.m.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS G1: Cleveland 6, Texas 3 G2: Texas 6, Cleveland 3 Detroit 5. Pittsburgh 3 Baltimore 9, Chi. Cubs 3 Tampa Bay 4, St. Louis 2 (10) Chi. White Sox 4, L.A. Dodgers 0 Houston 4, Seattle 1 N.Y. Yankees 10. Minnesota 4 Boston 6, L.A. Angels 5 (10)

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS Detroit 3, Pittsburgh 1 Arizona at Cincinnati. late

Washington at Miami, late St. Louis at Tampa Bay, late Oakland at Atlanta, late L.A. Dodgers at Chi. White Sox, late Philadelphia at Milwaukee, late N.Y. Mets at San Diego, late Colorado at San Francisco, late Chi. Cubs at Baltimore, ppd.

2021 VS OPP LAST 3 STARTS

FRIDAY'S GAMES Arizona at Philadelphia, 7:05p.m.

Chi. Cubs at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05p.m. Milwaukee at Washington, 7:05p.m. Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:20p.m. Miami at Houston, 8:10n.m. Cincinnati at St. Louis, 8:15p.m. N.Y. Mets at L.A. Angels, 9:38p.m. Colorado at San Diego, 9:40p.m. L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS Miami 12, Washington 2 Atlanta 3, Oakland 2 Cincinnati 14. Arizona 8 Detroit 5, Pittsburgh 3 Baltimore 9, Chi. Cubs 3 Tampa Bay 4, St. Louis 2 (10) Philadelphia 3, Milwaukee 2 San Diego 7, N.Y. Mets 0 Colorado 5, San Francisco 3

AROUND THE HORN

■ Dodgers: Clayton Kershaw will start Sunday for the Dodgers' series finale against the rival Giants in San Francisco, manager Dave Roberts annoucned Wednesday. The three-time Cy Young Award winner and former NL MVP was placed on the injured list last month due to inflammation in his right SI joint, which connects the base of the spine to the hip bones. He hasn't pitched since a win over the Cubs on May 7. Kershaw, 34, is 4-0 with a 1.80 ERA through five starts this season, with 32 strikeouts and just three walks in 30 innings. He said earlier this week that he bounced back well from his four-inning rehab start Sunday with Class A Rancho Cucamonga. "Got some things to work on obviously, but overall to get through four innings was good," Kershaw told the Los Angeles Times. "I think I'm ready to go."

■ Twins: Star SS Carlos Correa was reinstated from the COVID-19 IL before the Twins' home game against the Yankees on Wednesday night, a small but significant step toward restoring their depleted roster to full strength. The AL Centralleading Twins conducted a soft launch, with Correa in the lineup as the DH to face surging Yankees LHP Nestor Cortes. Correa missed eight games after testing positive while the team was in Detroit. He said his symptoms were strong, from headaches to chills to coughing. In his first season with the Twins, Correa was batting .279 with nine doubles, three HRs, 17 runs and 16 RBIs in 35 games before he got sick. Last month, Correa missed 11 games with a bruised finger. The Twins still have 13 players on the IL, and RHP Joe Ryan remains on the COVID

list. Ryan is one of seven

starting pitchers currently out of commission, which includes Kenta Maeda in his recovery from Tommy John elbow surgery.

■ Braves: SS Dansby Swanson beat the Braves in salary arbitration and OF Adam Duvall lost to the club, leaving teams with a 6-3 advantage over players this year. Swanson was awarded \$10 million rather than the team's \$9.2 million offer by Jeanne Charles, Richard McNeill and Scott Buccheit. who heard arguments the day before. Duvall was given the Braves' \$9,275,000 offer rather than his \$10.275,000 request by Gary Kendellen, Keith Greenberg and Gil Vernon, who listened to arguments Friday. Swanson, 28, hit .248 last year, when he set career highs with 27 HRs and 88 RBIs. He had a pair of HRs and three RBIs in the World Series against the Astros, helping the Braves win their first title since 1995. Swanson made \$6 million last season and is eligible for free agency after the World Series. He entered Wednesday with a .279 average, six HRs and 26 RBIs. Duvall led the NL with 113 RBIs last year for the Marlins and Braves, who acquired him July 30. The 33-year-old hit .228 with 38 HRs during the season and had two HRs and six RBIs in the World Series. He also is eligible for free agency after this season and is hitting 199 with three HRs and 18 RBIs. ■ **Tigers:** Miguel Cabrera hit a go-ahead RBI single in the eighth and the Tigers completed a two-game sweep of the host Pirates

with a 3-1 win. Daz Cameron drove in two runs, the first with an RBI triple in the second and the second with an RBI double in the ninth to provide a little insurance for the Tigers, who bounced back after getting swept by

the Yankees.

GOLF

Report: DeChambeau, Reed to join Saudi-funded league in US

Associated Press

Major champions Bryson DeChambeau and Patrick Reed plan to sign up with the Saudi-funded LIV Golf Invitational series in time for the rival circuit to start playing in U.S. cities, a British newspaper reported Wednesday.

The Daily Telegraph says Greg Norman and his staff that runs LIV Golf Investments plan to announce the latest two defections from the PGA Tour on Friday.

The inaugural LIV Golf

Invitational at Centurion Golf Club, which features Dustin Johnson, Phil Mickelson and Sergio Garcia, is set to begin Thursday.

DeChambeau was among the early recruits to the Saudi league in January. That changed when Mickelson brought unwanted attention on the nascent league with interviews that disparaged the PGA Tour and the Saudis who are funding the LIV Golf Investments.

It remains to be seen how this might impact the field for the upcoming Travelers Championship June 23-26. DeChambeau's entry in the Travelers field was announced on Monday and Reed, who has yet to commit, had played at the TPC River Highlands in each of the last 10 years. Johnson had also committed to the Travelers but has since resigned from the PGA Tour and is out of the

"While there has been a lot of speculation surrounding my support for another tour, I want to make it very clear that as long as the best players in the world are playing the PGA Tour, so will I," DeChambeau said in a February statement.

His agent said Wednesday in a statement that "Bryson has always been an innovator."

"Having the opportunity to get in on the ground floor of something unique has always been intriguing to him. Professional golf as we know it is changing and it's happening quickly," said Brett Falkoff of GSE World-

The first U.S. event for the LIV series is the weekend before the Fourth of July at Pumpkin Ridge in Oregon. The PGA Tour did not grant releases for its players to compete outside London this week, and some of them have resigned their memberships.

Oregon is different because the PGA Tour does not allow for releases for tournaments held in North America. Still to be determined is whether the players to take the Saudi money can return to the PGA Tour.

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circuit's first event begins Thursday at the Centurion Golf Club near London.

It just requires players to potentially jeopardize their future participation in majors like the Masters, and in the Ryder Cup, while overlooking the riches flow from the Public Investment Fund and facing a torrent of questions about accepting cash from Saudi Arabia, which has faced a global outcry over the 2018 killing of Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi and other human rights violations. The kingdom has denied involvement in Khashoggi's death.

It was Mickelson who called the Saudis "scary mother-(expletives)" in comments reported in

February, citing Khashoggi's murder in the kingdom's consulate in Istanbul.

"I've made, said and done a lot of things that I regret, and I'm sorry for that and for the hurt that it's caused a lot of people," he said. "I'm certainly aware of what has happened with Jamal Khashoggi, and I think it's terrible. I've also seen the good that the game of golf has done throughout history."

What is not clear is how LIV Golf can help to improve Saudi Arabia beyond burnishing its image, although there is little evidence of the country's backing for the series around the Centurion Club in St. Albans.

"I understand people have very strong opinions and may disagree with my decision," Mickelson said when asked to expand on his apology, "and I can

Three-time winner Burns headlines latest list of Travelers commitments

Sam Burns, already a three-time winner on the PGA Tour this season, is one of three players who have committed to the Travelers Championship, it was announced on Wednesday.

Burns, currently ranked No. 9 in the world, gives the tournament five of the current top 10 players. Joining Burns in the field for the event June 23-26 at the TPC at River Highlands are Carlos Ortiz and Mito Pereira.

This will be Burns' fourth consecutive appearance at the Travelers and he has made the cut each of the three previous times.

Ortiz is in his sixth season on tour and won his first event at the 2021 Houston Open. Pereira has had five top-10 finishes in his first full season and missed a playoff at the recent PGA Championship by one shot. -Staff reports

empathize with that."

Human rights activists see the players as engaging in the process they call "sportswashing" - helping a country improve its image through staging events with renowned athletes.

"Saudi Arabia has become more repressive in recent years, not less," said Sacha Deshmukh, chief executive of Amnesty International UK. "Human rights defenders and peaceful critics have been locked up, torture in jails is rife, and mass executions have shocked the world. Rather than acting as the willing stooges of Saudi sportswashing, we'd like to see golfers at the LIV Golf Invitational speaking out about human rights abuses in Saudi Arabia.'

Only one of the eight events is in Saudi Arabia, in Jeddah in October. Five tournaments are scheduled for the United States, starting July 1-3 near Portland, Oregon. Two are on courses owned by former President Donald Trump. It poses a direct challenge to the PGA Tour because its regulations do not allow for any releases for tournaments held in North America.

Mickelson has resisted quitting the PGA Tour. unlike two-time major winner Dustin Johnson who has resigned his membership.

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at the end of the opening period.

With around eight and a half minutes left in the second quarter, Courtney Williams hit a midrange jumper to tie the Sun's largest lead of the game. Then Carrington stole the ball from guard Bria Hartley on the other end and went coast to coast for an easy layup to extend the advantage to 29-21 and force a Fever timeout. Carrington did the same thing after the timeout, getting a steal and score to bring the lead to double digits. It was part of a 9-0 run in less than two minutes for Connecticut.

The Sun led the Fever 48-37 at halftime. They shot 51.4% from the field in the first half.

Indiana found some life at the start of the third quarter, trimming its deficit to single digits, but Connecticut never let its opponent get closer than nine points.

Since the preseason, Connecticut Sun head coach and general manager Curt Miller has talked about the possibility of a jumbo lineup featuring four players 6 feet 2 or taller: Alyssa Thomas, DeWanna Bonner, Brionna Jones and Jonquel Jones.

Miller hadn't brought that combination out much to open the season, but has tested it more since starting point guard Jasmine Thomas suffered a season-ending ACL tear in her right knee, with Alyssa Thomas taking the one-spot. The rotation played a big role in the Sun's road trip

On Wednesday night, Miller experimented even more with the lineup, using Carrington at the two-spot instead of Williams, who had usually been in with the rest of the group.

Once the Fever trimmed their deficit to nine points in

SUN 88, FEVER 69

Indiana	M	FG	FT	RB	Α	PF	PΤ	
Vivians	18	2-7	0-0	5	4	4	4	
Smith	30	8-15	2-2	7	0		19	
Egbo	23	4-7	2-2	4	1	5	10	
K. Mitchell	32	3-13	2-2	2	5		9	
Robinson	24	5-11	2-2	5	3	1	12	
Engstler	23	1-2	0-0	2	3	5	2	
Henderson	16	1-5	0-0	2	2	0	3	
Hartley	11	2-5	0-0	1	2	0	4	
Cannon	4	1-1	0-0	0	0	1	2	
Hull	5	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	
T. Mitchell	14	0-4	4-6	1	0	2	4	
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son 1-3, Smith 1-4, K. Mitchell 1-7, Hartley 0-1, T. Mitchell 0-1, Robinson 0-2, Vivians 0-3). FG pct.: 37.5. FT pct.: 85.7. Turnovers: 15(Engstler 3, Smith 2 K. Mitchell, Henderson, T. Mitchell). Blocks: 2(Smith, Engstler). Steals: 8 (Smith 2, Engstler 2, Egbo, K. Mitchell, Robinson, Henderson).

Conn. M FG M 27

Bonner	27	4-9	3-4	1	2	0	12
A. Thomas	28	3-9	5-6	9	5	5	11
J. Jones	30	4-9	7-9	9	3	2	16
Williams	25	4-9	0-0	4	4	1	8
Hiedeman	27	1-6	0-0	3	0	2	3
Carrington	27	5-5	2-4	4	1	1	12
B. Jones	25	7-14	4-4	9	3	3	18
Holmes	5	3-4	0-0	2	1	0	8
Clouden	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Anderson	2	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
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the third quarter, it was that unit which stepped up to take back control. With a little over three minutes left, Alyssa Thomas grabbed a defensive rebound and passed the ball off Brionna Jones in the paint as she sprinted past midcourt. Soon met with a double team, Brionna Jones spun out and found a cutting Jonquel Jones down low for an easy layup to put Connecticut up 13 points. DeWanna Bonner drained a midrange jumper on the following possession to pad the lead even more.

The young, scrappy Indiana team wasn't going away easily, continuing to push and frustrate Connecticut, even up double-digits. But they still managed to pull out the victory with relative ease, winning their fourth straight with mostly reserves on the floor as the final buzzer sounded.



Northwest Catholic players celebrate a goal by teammate Cameron Barone, center, during the CIAC Class S semifinal lacrosse game against Canton on Wednesday at Tolland High School. JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

Lacrosse

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"They played hard. They had the same skills we did and in the fourth quarter, we kind of pulled

Mark Freedenberg, Rvan Weller and Mason Buckley each scored three goals for Canton.

The Warriors led 8-7 going into the fourth quarter. Northwest tied the score and went ahead on goals by John Staunton and Brady Brennan and Cameron Barone's goal with 8:35 left put Northwest up 10-8. But Canton clawed back to tie it with goals from Freedenberg and Weller.

Murphy broke the tie

with 6:42 left and Meuser scored twice and Barone added another goal for the final margin.

"It was so up and down, wasn't it?" Canton coach Chris Weller said. "They played a great game, they had a great season. NCCC champs, won 15 games, we've done a lot of great things that our program's never seen before — I want them to focus on that. It could have gone either way. Both teams played great. They had a better fourth quarter than we did.

"We had much better possession in the third quarter. Our offense valued possession of the ball. In the fourth quarter, we made a handful of mental mistakes. There were a couple times we

threw the ball away. I felt like we were trying to push scoring over possessing the ball. That came back to bite us a little bit."

Northwest coach Scott Kossbeil said that his team started to gel around the beginning of May. The Lions won six of their last seven regular-season

"We started ripping off some good games and playing well," Kossbeil said. "I knew we had good people and good athletes, we had the ingredients but we needed to make the cookies — that was the focus at the start of the season and this is the icing on the cookies."

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short ever since. Zach Bushling moved to third, where he is more natural, and David Smith at second base, and the Huskies infield has been solid ever since.

"His biggest problem a year ago was he wouldn't make the routine play," Penders said. "He's made the outstanding play, going to his left or his right. And

one error would become two, and it would snowball and he couldn't get it back. Now he can separate that and treat an error as a fluke. He just seized the position."

Padilla, 5 feet 10 and 180 pounds, has given UConn production out of the ninth spot, hitting .288 with eight homers and 36 RBI, with a number of timely blasts. He homered in a signature win at Southern California, another in the Big East Tournament clincher vs. Xavier, and another in the first NCAA Tournament game against Wake Forest. In the regional final he went 3-for-4 with a walk, three runs scored and two RBI, with a momentum-changing hit to extend UConn's lead to 11-8 in the bottom of the eighth.

Rotation switch

Penders is going to flip his two top starters for the super regional. Pat Gallagher will pitch Game 1 Saturday and Austin Peterson, who pitched twice at Maryland, will get an extra day and go in the second game, which will be an elimination game for one of the teams.

"I've usually had my No.1 guy rested and didn't have the guts to save him," Penders said. "But now I have an excuse to do it." ... Erik Stock, the transfer from Old Dominion, was known for

his mid-90s fastball before coming to UConn. But he wanted to hit, and settled into left field and the middle of the order.

"I'd rather hit," he said. "It's more fun to hit a ball hard than strike out a batter. But I'm not leaving pitching behind. I tell the coaches all the time, I can come in if they need me. I'd just need one warmup ball."

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Daboll lightens practice load with

helmets off

GIANTS

By Pat Leonard

New York Daily News

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The Giants bumped hip-hop on the practice loudspeakers Wednesday, but it would have been more appropriate to play the old Eagles song "Take it Easy."

First-year coach Brian Daboll had his players take their helmets off for a light walkthrough in the final period of practice on day two of mandatory minicamp, rather than holding a rematch of Tuesday's showdown won by the defense.

Injured receiver Kadarius Toney did some of his rehab workouts on the sideline shirtless. And Daboll excused his players and coaches from conditioning work because kicker Graham Gano made a 53-yard field goal with crowd noise blasting at the end of practice.

This is not a new NFL strategy. The L.A. Rams and Tampa Bay Buccaneers give their veterans plenty of breaks and regularly hold walkthroughs in shorts and flip-flops.

They've also won the last two Super Bowls.

Yet there were some Giants players who came out of Wednesday's practice wanting more.

"It could be seen as both ways, good and bad," strong safety Julian Love said of dialing practice back. "Bad in the sense of there's a lot of competitive talk in the locker room each day about who won the day. Heated battles. And so I didn't think we were given enough of a chance to compete today. So there's that conversation.

"I think defensively we wanted to get after it a little more today," Love continued. "But tone it down, health wise, making sure everybody's good, I guess that's a good thing."

Maybe there is something to be said for Daboll protecting his team against further injuries. He had 15 injured players in red jerseys again, many of them key starters, and injured corner Rodarius Williams was absent from the field.

Daboll might simply want to get this roster to training camp in one piece.

"I feel like coach does a really good job of listening to the players, listening to the staff and understanding we've been grinding," said Saquon Barkley, who was in favor of the plan. "We've been going since April 4. If he felt like we could chop the practice down, I feel like that means as players we've been doing a really good job of giving him the confidence to do that. And also [it's] him just understanding and listening to personnel, listening to everyone in the building, where we need to be and

where our bodies are." That said, the Giants need to get dramatically better quickly to compete in 2022, especially on offense, where they were sloppy on Tuesday.

Before Wednesday's practice, Daboll actually bristled when told of center Jon Feliciano's admission that defensive coordinator Wink Martindale's defense had won the first day of minicamp by giving the offense a lot to handle.

"I wouldn't get ahead of ourselves here," Daboll said. "It's practice and OTAs right now. I'll tell Jon that, too."

"Everybody wants to win every period," the head coach added. "There were some good plays. There were some bad plays, both ends. I'm learning as a head coach [that] it's never a good practice because one side is either doing good or the other side is doing bad." Daboll is incorrect,

however, that a side of the ball always has a bad practice. One side of the ball wins and loses each play, technically, but an offense or defense can lose plays and still have a solid practice.

That wasn't the case Tuesday. The offense was overwhelmed.

SCOREBOARD

NBA PLAYOFFS

FINALS SCHEDULE #2 Boston 1, #2 Golden State 1 G1: June 2: Boston 120-108. G2: May 5: Golden State 107-88.
G3: Wednesday: at Boston, late G4: Friday: at Boston, 9 p.m. G5: Monday: at Golden State, 9 p.m. x-G6: June 16: at Boston, 9 p.m. x-G7: June 19: vs. Golden State, 8 p.m. (best-of-7; x-if necessary)

TEAM PLAYOFF STATS

G	RPG	APG	PPG
18	4.1	2.3	19.1
18	5.0	6.0	26.6
18	6.8	1.6	15.8
18	7.1	6.3	8.4
18	3.1	4.3	17.8
15	4.0	1.9	5.7
18	7.7	2.2	6.3
8	3.0	1.5	6.3
4	1.8	2.5	2.8
12	2.4	1.3	3.6
14	1.9	0.6	5.9
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BOSTON	G	RPG	APG	PPC
Jayson Tatum	20	6.6	6.1	26.3
Jaylen Brown	20	6.8	3.6	22.7
Al Horford	19	9.3	3.3	12.
Marcus Smart	17	4.4	6.0	14.9
Grant Williams	20	4.1	0.9	9.4
Derrick White	19	3.5	2.8	8.9
Robert Williams	13	5.2	0.7	7.4
Payton Pritchard	20	2.2	1.8	5.5
Daniel Theis	16	3.3	0.7	4.3
Aaron Nesmith	11	1.2	0.3	0.8
Sam Hauser	4	0.3	0.3	1.3
Luke Kornet	8	0.4	0.1	0.5
Nik Stauskas	10	0.4	0.4	1.3
Malik Fitts	8	0.3	0.0	1.0
Juwan Morgan	6	0.3	0.0	0.2
Team	20	42.7	27.4	106.

CELTICS	FG%	3p%2P%	FT%	SPG	BPO
Tatum	.433	.386.468	.824	1.2	0.9
Ja.Brown	.472	.374.533	.757	1.2	0.
Horford	.512	.463.560	.815	0.8	1.
Smart	.401	.336.471	.820	1.2	0.
GWilliams	s.423	.407.446	.813	0.4	0.8
DWhite	.386	.329.440	.814	0.9	0.0
RWilliams	s.667	.000.679	.909	0.6	2.
Pritchard	.452	.359.655	.750	0.3	0.
Theis	.588	.214.730	.750	0.3	0.
Nesmith	.267	.100.600		0.2	0.4
Hauser	.333	.333	1.000	0.0	0.0
Kornet	.667	.667		0.0	0.0
Stauskas	.300	.375.000	1.000	0.0	0.0
Fitts	.750	1.000.500		0.0	0.0
Morgan	.000	.000	.500	0.0	0.0
Team	45.3	37.3 52.0	80.9	6.5	6.4

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Connecticut	10	3	.769	_
Chicago	7	3	.700	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Atlanta	7	5	.583	2 ½
Washington	7	5	.583	2 ½
New York	4	8	.333	5 ½
Indiana	3	11	.214	7 1/2
WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	10	2	.833	_
Dallas	6	5	.545	31/2
Seattle	6	5	.545	31/2
Los Angeles	5	7	.417	5
Phoenix	3	8	.273	61/2
Minnesota	3	9	.250	7

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

THURSDAY'S GAMES

FRIDAY'S GAMES

Chicago at Connecticut, 7p.m. New York at Indiana, 7p.m. Seattle at Dallas, 8p.m. Washington at Minnesota, 8p.m. Atlanta at Phoenix, 10p.m.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS New York 88, Minnesota 69 Seattle 72, Atlanta 60

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Philadelphia	-130	at Milwaukee	+110
at San Francisco	0-230	Colorado	+190
at Miami	-122	Washington	+103
at Atlanta	-270	Pittsburgh	+223
AMERICAN LEA	AGUE		
at Cleveland	Off	Oakland	Of
NY Yankees	-190	at Minnesota	+16
Baltimore	Off	at Kansas City	/ Of
at LA Angels	-142	Boston	+123
INTERLEAGUE			
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LA Dodgers	-168	at Chi Wh. Sox	+142

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NHL CUP PLAYOFFS THURSDAY

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Justin Harding 25-1 Laurie Canter 25-1	
Matt Jones 25-1 Lee Westwood 28-1	
Scott Vincent 28-1 Branden Grace 30-1	
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Gr. McDowell 50-1 Hud. Swafford 50-1	
Martin Kaymer 50-1 Peter Uihlein 50-1	
Richard Bland 50-1 Shaun Norris 50-1	
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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE FINALS EASTERN CONFERENCE N.Y. Rangers 2, Tampa Bay 2 June 1: N.Y. Rangers 6-2. June 3: N.Y. Rangers 3-2. June 5: Tampa Bay 3-2. June 7: Tampa Bay 4-1. Thursday: at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m. Saturday: at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m. x-Tuesday: at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFEDENCE Colorado 4, Edmonton 0 May 31: Colorado 8-6. June 2: Colorado 4-0.
June 4: Colorado 4-2. June 6: at Edmonton 6-5 (OT).

INTERNACIONAL DE VALENCIA At Club de Tenis Sporting Club de Tenis Valencia, Valencia, Spain, Red clay-outdoors WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16

Viktoriya Tomova d. #2 Varvara Gracheva, 0-6, 6-3, 6-1. Julia Grabher d. #5 Anastasia Potapova, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4,

Mirjam Bjorklund d. #6 Kristina Kucova, 1-6, 6-4, 7-5. Wang Xivu d. Rebeka Masarova. 4-6, 7-5, 7-5.

ATP BOSS MERCEDES CUP At Tennis Club Weissenhof, Stuttgart, Germany, grass-outdoors MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16 #2 Matteo Berrettini d. Radu Albot.

6-2, 4-6, 6-3.. Benjamin Bonzi d. Arthur Rinderknech, MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32 #5 Nikoloz Basilashvili d.

Lorenzo Musetti, 7-5, 6-3,

LIBEMA OPEN At Rosmalen, 's-Hertogenbosch, Netherlands, grass-outdoors All games are canceled Wednesday.

THURSDAY'S MEN'S ROUND OF 16 #2 Felix Auger-Aliassime vs Tallon Griekspoor

#3 Taylor Fritz vs. Tim Van Riithoven #4 Alex De Minaur vs Adrian Mannarino #5 Karen Khachanov vs.

Kamil Majchrzak #8 Jenson Brooksby vs. Hugo Gaston Gilles Simon vs. James Duckworth Brandon Nakashima vs. Sam Querrey Emil Ruusuvuori vs. Ilya Ivashka WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16 #1 Aryna Sabalenka vs. Arianne Hartono

#2 Belinda Bencic vs. Anna Kalinskava #3 Elena Rybakina vs. Shelby Rogers #4 Tamara Zidansek vs. Catherine McNally #6 Veronika Kudermetova vs Anna Blinkova #7 Ekaterina Alexandrova vs. Anhelina Kalinina #8Else Mertens vs.

Alison Van Uvtvanck Ann Li vs. Kirsten Flipens ROTHESAY OPEN NOTTINGHAM At Nottingham Tennis Centre, Notting-

ham, Great Britain, grass-outdoor WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16 #4 Zhang Shuai d. Jodie Anna Burrage 6-2, 7-6(4).

#8 Magda Linette, 6-2, 7-6(3). Viktorija Golubic d. Heather Watson

GOLF

PGA TOUR STATISTICS

Driving Distance 1, Cameron Champ, 324.2. 2, Matthew Wolff, 319.5. 3, Rory McIlroy, 319.4. 4, Wyndham Clark, 319.1, 5, Jon Rahm. 318.4. 6, Joseph Bramlett, 317.4. 7(tie), Jhonattan Vegas and Cameron Young, 317.1. 9, Trey Mullinax, 316.5. 10, Brandon Hagy, 316.1.

Greens in Regulation Percentage 1. Jon Rahm, 72,34%, 2. Scottie Scheffler, 71.63%. 3, Russell Knox, 70.93%. 4, Corey Conners, 70.18%. 5, Will Zalatoris. 70.09%. 6. Mito Pereira. 70.02%. 7. Sungjae Im, 70.00%. 8, Seamus Power, 69.98%. 9, Hideki Matsuyama, 69.81%. 10. Taylor Pendrith, 69.72%.

SG-Putting 1, Brian Gay, 1.068. 2, Tyrrell Hatton, .991. 3. Lucas Herbert. .883. 4. Beau Hossler, .844. 5, Denny McCarthy, .751. 6, Brendon Todd, .721. 7, Martin Trainer, .709. 8, Cameron Smith, .691. 9, Kelly

Kraft, .682. 10, Matt Kuchar, .636. All-Around Ranking 1. Justin Thomas, 218, 2, Xander

Schauffele, 219. 3, Talor Gooch, 249. 4, Hideki Matsuyama, 276. 5, Scottie Scheffler, 292, 6, Sungiae Im, 309, 7, Patrick Cantlay, 318. 8, Seamus Power, 319. 9, Joaquin Niemann, 320. 10, Rory McIlroy, 329.

LPGA TOUR STATISTICS **Driving Distance**

1. Emily Kristine Pedersen, 282,269. 2, Nanna Koerstz Madsen, 276.758. 3, Maude-Aimee Leblanc, 275.393. 4, Yuka Saso, 274.671, 5, A Lim Kim, 274.595, 6, Madelene Sagstrom, 274.488. 7, Bianca Pagdanganan, 274.326. 8, Maria Fassi, 273.775. 9, Alana Uriell, 273.575. 10, Lexi Thompson, 273.463.

Greens in Regulation 1(tie), Hye-Jin Choi, Xiyu Lin, Sanna Nuutinen and Lexi Thompson, .76%. 5 (tie), Brooke M. Henderson, Jennifer Kupcho, Miniee Lee and Jodi Ewart Shadoff, .75%. 9, 2tied with .74%.

I, Jeongeun Lee6, 1.698. 2, Danielle Kang, 1.72. 3, Minjee Lee, 1.726. 4(tie), Lydia Ko and Patty Tavatanakit, 1.727. 6, Su Oh. 1.736. 7. Xivu Lin. 1.738. 8. Nasa Hataoka, 1.739. 9, 2tied with 1.741.

PGA CHAMPIONS STATISTCS

Driving Distance 1, Padraig Harrington, 299.3. 2, Brandt Jobe, 298.3. 3, Scott Parel, 298.2. 4(tie), Thongchai Jaidee and Scott McCarron 296.7. 6, Darren Clarke, 295.9. 7, Retief Goosen, 294.4. 8, Ernie Els, 294.1. 9, Wes Short, Jr., 293.9. 10, John Daly, 293.1.

Greens in Regulation Pct.1, Steven Alker, 79.56%. 2, Jerry Kelly, 76.16%. 3. David Branshaw. 74.22%. 4 (tie), Woody Austin and Retief Goosen, 73.41%. 6, Thongchai Jaidee, 73.33%. 7. Joe Durant. 73.12%. 8. Kevin Sutherland, 73.11%. 9, David Toms, 73.02%. 10, 2tied with 72.82%.

Putting Average 1, Kirk Triplett, 1.693. 2, Bernhard Langer, 1.709. 3, Miguel Angel Jiménez, 1.722. 4, Rod Pampling, 1.726. 5, Tim Petrovic, 1.727. 6, Steven Alker, 1.728. 7, Retief Goosen, 1.73. 8, Padraig Harrington, 1.732. 9, Brian Gay, 1.738. 10, Ernie Els, 1.742.

SOCCER

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SATURDAY'S MATCHES N.Y. Red Bulls at Charlotte FC, 3p.m.

San Jose at Nashville, 6p.m.

New England at Sporting KC, 3p.m. TUESDAY'S MATCH

Vancouver at Seattle, 10:30p.m. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15 Orlando City at New England, 7:30p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 Los Angeles FC at Seattle, 3p.m. Portland at LA Galaxy, 5p.m. Toronto FC at N.Y. Red Bulls, 7p.m. Charlotte FC at Columbus, 7:30p.m. Austin FC at CF Montréal, 7:30p.m. Houston at Orlando City, 7:30p.m. Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 7:30p.m. D.C. United at Chicago, 8p.m. Vancouver at FC Dallas, 9p.m. San Jose at Real Salt Lake, 9:30p.m.

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
San Diego FC	4	2	1	13	10	5
Houston	3	1	3	12	11	3
Chicago	3	1	2	11	11	8
Angel City FC	3	3	1	10	4	6
Portland	2	1	3	9	9	5
Gotham FC	3	2	0	9	5	5
OL Reign	2	2	3	9	5	5
Louisville	2	3	2	8	6	9
Orlando	2	3	2	8	9	17
Washington	1	2	4	7	6	7
Kansas City	1	4	2	5	5	11
North Carolina	1	3	1	4	6	6
Three points for	win,	one	pc	int f	or ti	e.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS Washington at Chicago, late Portland at San Diego Wave FC, late

SATURDAY'S MATCHES North Carolina at Washington, 7p.m. Angel City FC at Louisville, 8p.m. Gotham FC at Kansas City, 8:30p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES OL Reign at San Diego Wave FC, 5p.m. Orlando at Chicago, 6p.m. Portland at Houston, 7p.m.

FRIDAY. JUNE 17 Louisville at Washington, 7:30p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 Chicago at Kansas City, 8:30p.m. Angel City FC at OL Reign, 10p.m.

Orlando at Portland, 3p.m. San Diego FC at Gotham FC, 4p.m. Houston at North Carolina, 5p.m.

TUESDAY'S RESULT Houston 0, Angel City FC 0

U.S. MEN'S SCHEDULE (4-2-2) **q-Jan. 27:** U.S. 1, El Salvador 0 **q-Jan. 30:** Canada 2, U.S. 0 q-Feb. 2: U.S. 3. Honduras 0 q-March 24: U.S. 0, Mexico 0 -March 27: U.S. 5, Panama 1-March 30: Costa Rica 2. U.S. 0 June 1: U.S. 3, Morocco 0 June 5: U.S. 0, Uruguay 0 n-Friday: vs. Grenada, 10 p.m. **n-June 14:** vs. El Salvador, 10 p.m. **w-Nov. 21:** TBA, 2 p.m. w-Nov. 25: vs. England. 2 p.m. w-Nov. 29: vs. Iran, 2 p.m. n-March 23, 2023: vs. Grenada, TBA n-March 26, 20203: vs. El Savador, TBA n-Nationas Cup q-CONCACAF World Cup qualifying

w-FIFA World Cup, Qatar **U.S. WOMEN'S SCHEDULE** June 25: vs. Colombia, at Dick's Sporting Goods Park, Commerce City, Colo., 7:30 p.m.

June 28: vs. Colombia, at Rio Tinto

Stadium, Sandy, Utah, 10 p.m.

All games in Birmingham, Ala.

NORTH	w	L	т	PCT	PF	PA
New Jersey	7	1	0	.875	181	136
Philadelphia	5	3	0	.625	222	201
Michigan	1	7	0	.125	155	190
Pittsburgh	1	7	0	.125	110	193
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
x-Birmingham	8	0	0	1.000	198	134
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x-Birmingham New Orleans Tampa Bay		-	-		176	138
New Orleans	5	3	0	.625	176 138	138 157

WEEK 9 SATURDAY'S GAMES New Jersey vs. Michigan, 1p.m. Houston vs. Birmingham, 6p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAMES Tampa Bay vs. New Orleans, 4p.m. Philadelphia vs. Pittsburgh, 7:30p.m.

WEEK 10 SATURDAY, JUNE 18 Philadelphia vs. New Jersey, noon Birmingham vs. Tampa Bay, 4p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 19 Michigan vs. Pittsburgh, noon New Orleans vs. Houston, 4p.m.

PLAYOFF SCHEDULE **SATURDAY, JUNE 25** Tom Benson HOF Stadium, Canton, Ohio Semifinal 1, 3p.m. Semifinal 2, 8p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 3 USFL League Championship Tom Benson HOF Stadium, Canton, Ohio North champ vs. South champ, 7:30pm

HORSE RACING **THE 154TH BELMONT STAKES**

Saturday's race 11 at Belmont Park; Elmont, N.Y. Purse \$1,500,000. For Three Year Olds. Non-Lasix Race pursuant to 4043.2 (7)(e)(5) The purse to be divided \$800,000 to the winner, \$280,000 to second, \$150,000 to third, \$100,000 to fourth, \$60,000 to fifth, \$45,000 to sixth, \$35,000 to seventh and \$30,000 to eighth. Colts and Geldings 126 Lbs.; Fillies, 121 Lbs. The winning owner will be presented with the August Belmont Memorial Cup to be retained for one year as well as a trophy for permanent possessionand trophies to the winning trainer and jockey.1 1/2 Miles
PPHORSE 2022 JOCKEY TRAINER

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1	We the People	4-3-0-0	Flavien Prat	Rodolphe Brisset	2-1	
2	Skippylongstocking	5-1-0-1	Mamie; Franco	Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.	20-1	
3	Nest (F)	3-2-1-0	Jose L. Ortiz	Todd A Pletcher	8-1	
4	Rich Strike	4-1-0-2	Sonny Leon	Eirc R. Reed	7-2	
5	Creative Minister	4-2-1-1	Brian J Hernandez, Jr.	Kenneth G McPeek	6-1	
6	Mo Donegal	3-1-0-1	Irad Ortiz, Jr.	Todd A Pletcher	5-2	
7	Golden Glider	5-1-1-0	Dylan Davis	Mark E Casse	20-1	
8	Barber Road	5-0-3-1	Joel Rosario	John Alexnder Ortiz	10-1	
0	Owners: 1 - WinStar Farm LLC, Flay, Bobby, CMNWLTH and Siena Farm LLC; 2					
- /	- Alonso, Daniel: 3 - Repole Stable, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and House.					

Michael; 4 - RED TR-Racing, LLC; 5 - Fern Circle Stables, Back Racing, LLC and Magdalena Racing (Sherri McPeek); 6 - Donegal Racing and Repole Stable; 7 -Barber, Gary, Conrad, Manfred and Conrad, Penny; 8 - WSS Racing, LLC Breeders: 1 - Henley Farms Inc.; 2 - Brushy Hill, LLC; 3 - Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables; 4 - Calumet Farm; 5 - Dell Ridge Farm, LLC; 6 - Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables: 7 - Nursery Place & Dicken Equine: 8 - Susan Forrester & Judy Curry



For some, Marcus Smart reminds them of Celtics greats K.C. Johnson and Dennis Johnson. The Celtics hosted the Warriors in Game 3 of the NBA Finals on Wednesday. JOHN HEFTI/AP

NBA FINALS

Celtics' past still plays a role today

New-age team finds way to coexist with storied history

By Harvey Araton

The New York Times

When Bill Walton revived and concluded his NBA career with the Celtics, he devised a plan on game nights to beat the city's notoriously gridlocked traffic: He rode the subway to work.

Picture a towering, unmistakable redhead, 6 feet 11 inches, boarding the T, as it's known in Boston, at the Harvard station. Walton lived nearby during the Celtics' 1985-86 championship season, and in 1986-87, when they lost in the NBA Finals

"Red Line to the Green Line to the old Garden," he said. "And with a packed car of crazed fans banging on the walls and ceiling, rocking the car, chanting, 'Here we go Celtics, here we go!'"

In a recent telephone interview, Walton added that after six injury-plagued years with the dysfunctional and Donald Sterling-owned Clippers of San Diego and Los Angeles, those rides were neither scary nor a culture shock for a West Coast native.

"It was heaven," he said.

The old Boston Garden was replaced in 1995 by what is known now as TD Garden. But the bustling North Station commuter hub remains, reached by the T's trolley cars clanging through tunnels old enough for archaeological digs.

So, too, exists the famed parquet playing floor, with a few pieces from the original Garden: the now 23 retired jersey banners, a fair number of ruddy-faced ushers with Southie accents, and scalpers hiding in plain sight out on Causeway Street.

'The TD Garden is not a very glamorous arena, like what the Warriors built in San Francisco," said Marv Albert, the Hall of Fame broadcaster whose radio debut Knicks at Celtics, Jan. 27, 1963 — was in Boston. "And with the surrounding area and the Celtics' history, there is still an old-time feel to it." To that end, when the NBA Finals

returned to Boston for the first time since 2010 — with the aforementioned Warriors

hitting town for Game 3 on Wednesday night — it was the league's version of strolling the somewhat gentrified but still old neighborhood, making the nostalgic rounds of where it grew up.

Game 3 ended too late for this edition.

It wasn't until years after the Bill Russellera Celtics won 11 titles from 1957 through 1969 that professional basketball became a hot ticket in Boston, or anywhere in the U.S., much less a sexy global sell. But it was largely at North Station, that nexus of unwieldy urban design, that the NBA progressed from crawl to walk.

It has been a rough few years, the losses of the retired number Celtics painful and profound for those who remain from the franchise's unmatchable dynastic period. John Havlicek, No. 17, died in 2019; K.C. Jones (25) and Tom Heinsohn (15), in 2020; Sam Jones (24) in 2021; Jo Jo White (10), a 1970s star on two title teams, in 2018.

Still, Dan Shaughnessy, the venerable Boston Globe columnist, checked in recently with Bob Cousy (No. 14), who told him, "To have this happen at 93 is really a special moment." He meant the Celtics' 22nd championship series, 17 of which they've won, deadlocked with the Lakers franchise that originated in Minneapolis.

There's always temptation to overstate comparisons to champions of yore, especially when remembering that the Celtics have won exactly one title since 1986. But some have pointed out that rugged point guard Marcus Smart evokes memories of K.C. Jones and Larry Bird's 1980s running mate, Dennis Johnson (retired No. 3). And while Tatum may never be Bird (retired No. 33) in the collective mind of the Boston masses, he, at 24, appears destined to have his number, 0, join Robert Parish's 00 in the

After all, it took one title, in 2008, for Kevin Garnett (retired No. 5) and Paul

Pierce (34) to make it. The current center, Robert Williams III, is no Russell (retired No. 6), but he, at 24, is a genuine, homegrown rim protector. Horford, who plays in the image of the 1970s glue guy Paul Silas, was reacquired last offseason, the kind of canny team-building addition the Celtics were known for across four decades of winning titles.

IN BRIEF

Del Rio calls Jan. 6 attack 'dust-up'

Commanders assistant coach Jack Del Rio issued an apology for his word choice after doubling down on a comparison he made on social media between the violent attack on the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, and the protests in the wake of the police killing of George Floyd.

Del Rio, a former linebacker who now runs the Commanders defense, downplayed the deadly insurrection and questioned why the summer of 2020 protests weren't receiving the same scrutiny. His comments Wednesday after an offseason practice came a day before a House committee investigating the pro-Donald Trump disruption of Congress 17 months ago begins public hearings on the matter.

"People's livelihoods are being destroyed, businesses are being burned down, no problem," Del Rio said. "And then we have a dust-up at the Capitol, nothing burned down, and we're going to make that a major deal. I just think it's kind of two standards."

Amid backlash for his comments, Del Rio released a statement on Twitter on Wednesday afternoon apologizing his word choice. Del Rio said it was "irresponsible and negligent" to call the riot a "dust-up."

But he said he stood by comments "condemning violence in communities across the country.

His comments followed a Twitter post Monday night in which he said, "Would love to understand 'the whole story' about why the summer of riots, looting, burning and the destruction of personal property is never discussed but this is ???" He was responding to a tweet about the Congressional hearings into Jan. 6.

Del Rio and coach Ron Rivera say they

aren't concerned if the opinion will upset Black players who make up the majority of their team, some of whom spoke out about police brutality and racism in the wake of Floyd's killing two years ago.

Del Rio, 59, played 11 seasons and was head coach of the Jaguars and Raiders.

■ Tony Buzbee, the lawyer representing all 24 women who have filed civil lawsuits against Deshaun Watson, said his law firm will "soon be joining the Houston Texans organization and others as defendants" in the lawsuits against the quarterback. On Tuesday, The New York Times reported that the NDA that Watson gave to some of the plaintiffs to sign came from the Texans' director of security. The Times also reported that the Texans provided a hotel room where several of the massages took place. ... The Rams and All-Pro WR Cooper Kupp agreed to a three-year extension through 2026 worth \$80 million, including \$75 million guaranteed, ESPN reported. Kupp, who turns 29 on June 15, led the league last season with 145 catches for 1,947 yards and 16 TDs.

Golf: Paul Casey withdrew from next week's U.S. Open. It's the third straight major the 44-year-old Brit has missed this year because of a back injury.

Soccer: Real Madrid extended Luka Modric's contract for another year, which keeps intact the midfield that helped the club win a record-extending 14th European title this season. The 36-year-old Croatian is now signed through June 2023 and will return to play alongside Toni Kroos and Casemiro. The trio has helped Madrid win five Champions League titles in the last nine seasons.

WEATHER



Showers and possible thunderstorms ending in the morning becoming partly

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Partly sunny and seasonable.

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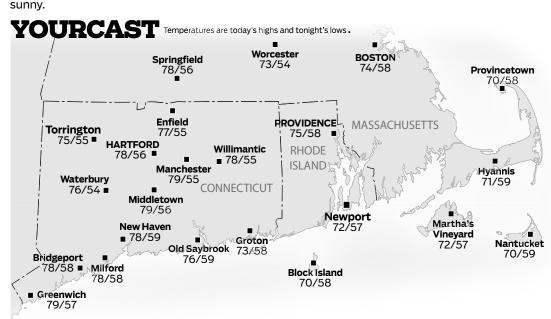
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MONDAY CH CH CH

HIGH Partly sunny, chance for some showers.

LOW 58° CONNECTICUT **E** WEATHER For the latest weather news throughout your day.

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OUTLOOK

A frontal system crossing the Northeast on Thursday will cause morning clouds with showers and possibly some thunderstorms. It will be on the humid side with dew points in the low to mid-60s. Once the front moves through, high pressure will ridge into the state bringing partial clearing and it will begin to turn less humid. The lower humidity will be noticeable late in the day or Thursday night. High temperatures will be mainly in the 70s. High pressure will bring partly sunny skies on Friday with highs in the 70s to near 80 degrees. It will be mostly cloudy on Saturday.

Stamford

ALMANAC

Precipitation In Inches Total Normal Yesterday (by 7 p.m.) 0.32 0.15 0.44 1.20 Month to date 18.02 19.09 Total this year Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

Air Quality Forecast For Today

Good	Low	Moderate
41	2	Trees
Air	Ultraviolet	Pollen Heat
Quality	Index	Count Index
Today	Today	Yesterday Today

	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	5:16 a.m.	5:15 a.m.
Sunset	8:24 p.m.	8:24 p.m.
Moonrise	2:51 p.m.	4:02 p.m.
Moonset	2:15 a.m.	2:38 a.m.

	Moon	Phase	
Full	Last	New	First
June 14	June 20	June 28	July 6

Stockholm

Sydney

Tel Aviv

Toronto

Warsaw

Vancouver

Tokyo

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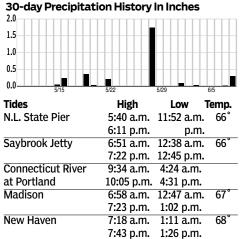
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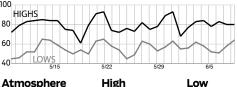
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Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B. I. Sound
Weather	Showers	Showers	Showers
Wind	S/SW, 15-20	S, 15-20	S, 15-25
Seas	1-3 ft.	2-4 ft.	4-7 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Wednesday	80 at 3:59 p.m	64 at 2:41 a.m
Normal for date	78	56
Record for date	96 in 1984	42 in 2002
A year ago	92	71
Range this year	93	-2

Last Cooling Degree Days Season Normal Season For Jan 1 - June 8 105

30-day Temperature History 100



66° at 8 a.m.

29.95 at 12 a.m. 29.84 at 6 p.m.

51° at 5 p.m.

LOCAL SCOREBOARD

Baltimore

Bismarck

Charleston

Cincinnati

Cleveland

Indianapolis

Jacksonville

Milwaukee

Boise

Buffalo

TUESDAY'S LATE **HIGH SCHOOL** RESULT

NEW ENGLAND

Burlington

Montpelier

Mt. Wash.

Woods Hole

NATION

Albuguergue

BASEBALL

Albany

Portland

Caribou

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CIAC State Tournaments Class **S**-Semifinals at Palmer Field,

ST. PAUL 7. IMMACULATE 0 I 000-000-**0-**0-4-2 SP 400-021-**x-**7-8-1 WP: Brendan Foley, LP: Tommy Conley.

Rec. SP—25-1; I—15-9. Note: Foley allowed 4hits over 6.1shutout innings with 14strikeouts, 2walks, Casev Cerruto was 2-for-3with 2RBI and Joey Tonnotti was 2-for-3with an RBI for

WEDNESDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

BOYS LACROSSE

CIAC State Tournaments
Class L—Semifinals at Fairfield Univer-

STAPLES 9, RIDGEFIELD 8 (OT)
FAIRFIELD PREP VS. DARIEN, LATE Class M-Semifinals at Law HS, Milford NOTRE DAME-WEST HAVEN 11, EAST WILTON VS. CHESHIRE, LATE

Class S—Semifinals
NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 14, CANTON 10 **WESTON 16. HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH**

GIRLS GOLF

CIAC State Tournaments
DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP (TIMBERLIN GC. BERLIN) Team results: 1. Berlin, 333(+45); 2. St. Paul, 363; 3. Masuk, 392; 4. Simsbury, 396: T-5. Wethersfield and Immaculate. 414; 7. St. Joseph, 429; 8. East Catholic 430; T-9. Lewis Mills and Avon, 434; 11. Barlow, 436: 12. Lauralton Hall, 440: 13. Northwest Catholic, 444; 14. Hand, 446. Top 10**individuals:** T-1. Libby Dunn, Berlin and Kenna Roman, Berlin, 80

(+8); T-3. Samantha Dunn, Berlin and Jamie Andrade, St. Joseph, 84; 5. Isabella Thomas, Lauralton Hall, 86: T-6. Ava Sparacio Simsbury, 87 and Erin Downes, St. Paul, 87; 8. Lauren Ogrodowicz, Stratford, 88: T-9, Julia Smith, Plainville, Charlotte Carlson, Berlin, 89 and Iliana Chaplinski, St. Paul, 89.

CIAC State Individual Tournament Singles-Semifinals DYLAN ATKINSON, GREENWICH VS. TIGHE BRUNETTI, STAPLES, PPD. **LUKAS PHIMVONGSA. ENFIELD VS** PETRO KUZMENOK, FAIRFIELD WARDE,

Doubles-Semifinals ARJUN BATRA/JUSTIN BILENKER, WESTHILL VS. ANDERS HANSEN/WILL DONNELLY, DARIEN, PPD. SAM GIOFFRE/ALEX REYES, WILTON VS. LUKE BRODSKY/ALEX GUADARRAMA, STAPLES, PPD.

GIRLS TENNIS

CIAC State Individual Tournament Singles - Semifinals SARAH DONNELLY, DARIEN VS. KILEY PICKENS, AMITY, PPD. ALEXANDRA ORLINS, CHESHIRE VS. LAUREN ZHANG, DARIEN, PPD. JORDANA LATZMAN/AUDREY KERCHER. PRICE, FAIRFIELD LUDLOWE, PPD. SERENA PLATT/JULIA GJERTSEN, NEW CANAAN VS. GRACE ALTHOFF/AVA DE CASTRO, DARIEN, PPD.

THURSDAY'S HIGH **SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

CIAC State Tournaments Class L-Championship at Pomperaug HS No. 3Trumbull (21-2) vs. No. 1Darien (22-0), 5p.m.

Class M-Championship at Pomper No. 3New Canaan (15-5) vs. No. 1

AROUND THE WORLD Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

82 60 PC

91 76 PC

84 63 PC

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90 74 PC

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Barlow (22-0), 7p.m. **BOYS TENNIS**

CIAC State Individual Tournament At The Tennis and Fitness Center, Rocky Hill

Singles - Semifinals, noon No. 4Dylan Atkinson, Greenwich vs. No. 1Tighe Brunetti, Staples No. 3Lukas Phimvongsa, Enfield vs. No. 2Petro Kuzmenok, Fairfield Warde Doubles-Semifinals, noon No. 4Arjun Batra/Justin Bilenker, Westhill vs. No. 1Anders Hansen/Will

Donnelly, Darien No. 3Sam Gioffre/Alex Reves, Wilton vs. No. 2Luke Brodsky/Alex Guadarrama,

GIRLS TENNIS

CIAC State Individual Tournament At Newington Tennis Center Singles—Semifinals, noon No. 12Sarah Donnelly, Darien vs. No. 1 Kiley Pickens, Amity No. 6Alexandra Orlins, Cheshire vs. No. 2Lauren Zhang, Darien **Doubles**—Semifinals, noon No. 5Jordana Latzman/Audrey Kercher, Staples vs. No. 1Gabby Price, Ellie Price, Fairfield Ludlowe Serena Platt/Julia Gjertsen, New Canaan vs. Grace Althoff/Ava de

FRIDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Castro, Darien

CIAC State Tournaments Class L-Championship at Palmer Field, Middletown No. 10Maloney (16-8) vs. No. 1Windsor (23-1), 7p.m.

Class LL-Championship at DeLuca Field, Stratford No. 5Bristol Central (21-3) vs. No. 2 Southington (23-1), 7p.m.

BOYS TENNIS CIAC State Individual Tournament

Singles—Championship at Wesleyan University, Middletown, 3p.m. **Doubles**—Championship at Wesleyan University, Middletown, 3p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Singles—Championship at Wesleyan University, Middletown, 3p.m. Doubles—Championship at Wesleyan

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SCHOOL SCHEDULE BASEBALL

CIAC State Tournaments Class LL-Championship at Palmer Field, Middletown No. 4Southington (21-3) vs. No. 3Fairfield Warde, noon Class M—Championship at Palmer Field, Middletown No. 7Woodland (19-5) vs. No. 4Barlow (21-3), 7p.m. Class **S**—Championship at Palmer Field, Middletown No. 3Somers (20-4) vs. No. 1St. Paul (25-1), 3:30p.m.

SOFTBALL

Class L-Championship at DeLuca Field, Stratford No. 7Waterford (20-4) vs. No. 1Masuk (22-1), 6p.m. Class **M**—Championship at DeLuca Field, Stratford No. 60xford (21-3) vs. No. 1Woodland (23-0), noon Class S-Championship at DeLuca Field, Stratford No. 15North Branford (17-7) vs. No. 1 Cromwell (21-2), 3p.m.

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Class **S**—Championship at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield No. 14Lauralton Hall (12-8) vs. No. 4 New Fairfield (15-3), 10a.m

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CIAC State Open (Black Hall Club, Old Lyme), 1p.m

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SUNDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

CIAC State Tournaments Class L—Championship at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield No. 2Staples (17-2) vs. Fairfield Prep/ Darien winner, 3p.m. Class M—Championship at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield No. 10Notre Dame-West Haven (14-5) vs. Wilton/Cheshire winner, 12:30p.m. Class S-Championship at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield No. 7Northwest Catholic (15-4) vs. No. 5

SATURDAY'S COLLEGE SCHEDULE

Weston (15-4), 10a.m

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NCAA Div. I Tourney-Super Regionals

UConn at Stanford, 10:30p.m.

SUNDAY'S COLLEGE SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

NCAA Div. I **Tourney**-Super Regionals Game 2 UConn at Stanford, 7p.m. Eastern League standings Northeast; W; L; PCT; GB Hartford; 34; 19; .642; Somerset; 33; 19; .635; 0.5 New Hampshire; 24; 27; .471; 9 Portland: 24: 29: .453: 10 Reading; 21; 31; .404; 12.5 Binghamton; 19; 32; .373; 14 Southwest: W: L: PCT: GB Erie; 30; 23; .566; -Richmond: 30: 23: .566: Bowie; 21; 30; .412; 8 Harrisburg; 21; 31; .404; 8.5

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NEW YORK — The New York Rangers have been in a similar position before in this postseason — looking to reverse the momentum back home after dropping two games on the road.

In the first round against Pittsburgh, they returned home after falling into a 3-1 series hole and won three straight to advance. In the second round, they were down 2-0 and won four of the next five to move on.

Now they come back to New York tied 2-2 with two-time defending Stanley Cup champion Tampa Bay Lightning in the Eastern Conference final, hoping to turn the tide in Game 5 on Thursday night (8 p.m. EDT, ESPN) at Madison Square Garden. Two of the last three games will be at home, where they've won eight straight.

"I think we're probably in the best spot we've been through three series," forward Andrew Copp said Wednesday. "We got two games at home. I think we play really good at home. ... I think we're all confident where we're at right now but there's got to be an increased level of desperation for sure."

The Rangers will be looking to rediscover the offense that seemed to be rolling along the first two games when they outscored the Lightning 9-4. They were outscored 7-3 in the two games in

New York led 2-0 midway through Game 3 before Tampa Bay scored three times to eke out a win. The Lightning then held the Rangers off the scoreboard until late in the third period of a 4-1 win in Game 4 on Tuesday night that evened the series.

"They haven't made any mistakes, we haven't had a lot of scoring chances," Rangers coach Gerard Gallant said. "They didn't create a whole lot of scoring chances either, but they haven't made the mistakes



New York Rangers goaltender Igor Shesterkin walks back to his position during Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals on Tuesday in Tampa, Fla. CHRIS O'MEARA/AP

experience from winning teams. They don't give up much and that's how you win Stanley Cups."

The Rangers aren't discouraged by their losses on the road, where they are 2-7 this postseason. They also know what they need to improve on from the last two games - play more physical and do a better job of getting inside scoring chances against Andrei Vasilevskiy.

They expect a boost from playing at home, where the haven't lost since falling in three overtimes in Game 1 of the first round against Pittsburgh.

"It's a best of three in the **Eastern Conference finals** and it's something to be excited about as a group," defenseman Jacob Trouba said. "We're in a pretty good spot here and we're going to go home and do what we can to win a game."

The Lightning will be looking to build on the momentum they created at home after showing signs of rust at the start of the series following a nine-day layoff after finishing a second-round Bay had won six straight before dropping the first two games against the Rangers.

The Lightning turned it around in this series by tightening up defensively, clogging New York's passing lanes and forcing most of the Rangers' shots to come from outside. The few times they did get close, Vasilevskiy was there to shut the door.

"We've been desperate the last couple of games," Lightning captain Steven Stamkos said. "We knew how important they were to get back in this series, and we've done it. But we can't sit on our hands now and be happy with that. We got to keep moving forward. ... I'm sure now that desperation is going to kick in for them."

Playing with an increased level of urgency, Tampa Bay - which has won 10 straight playoff series the last three postseasons was also more disciplined in staying out of the penalty box. The Rangers, with the league's best power play in the postseason, only had

two chances in Game 4.

FLAVOR





In the chicken dish, left, the lime in the Tajín balances out the sweetness from the agave syrup, while the red chiles complement the smoky flavor of the chipotles. And it's easy to understand why broccoli salad, right, is a mainstay of gatherings. Not only is it a crowd-pleaser, but also raw broccoli is a clever make-ahead ingredient because it maintains its hardy texture and crunch over time. ARMANDO RAFAEL/THE NEW YORK TIMES PHOTOS

PICNIC WIN

These delicious dishes give you big flavor — and more time to spend with guests

By Genevieve Ko | The New York Times

hese delicious dishes give you big savory, tangy flavors - and more time with family and friends. The broccoli salad and pineapple upside-down cake are perfect for making ahead and sitting out on the picnic table, and the chicken can be basted while you chat over the grill.

TAJÍN GRILLED CHICKEN

Makes: 4 servings **Total time:** 35 minutes Vegetable oil, for the grill 8 skinless, boneless chicken thighs (about 2 pounds) Sea salt (or kosher salt) 1/2 cup light agave syrup or honev

½ cup fresh orange juice 1 teaspoon finely grated orange zest 3 chipotle chiles in adobo.

adobo sauce

finely chopped, plus 1/4 cup

6 garlic cloves, finely grated 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

1 tablespoon Tajín Clásico 8 scallions, root ends trimmed 1/2 cup cilantro leaves and tender stems

1. Prepare a grill for mediumhigh, direct heat; clean the grates well, then brush them with vegetable oil. Alternatively, heat a grill pan on medium-high and brush the pan with oil.

2. Arrange chicken on sheet tray and generously season both sides with salt. Whisk

together agave syrup, orange juice, orange zest, chipotles, adobo, garlic, olive oil and Tajín in a medium bowl.

3. Brush both sides of the chicken with the Tajín sauce. Grill the chicken, turning and basting often with the Tajín sauce, until cooked through, charred but brick red and glazed, 7 to 9 minutes. Grill the scallions, turning occasionally, until lightly charred on all sides, about 5 minutes.

4. Serve chicken with grilled scallions, topped with cilantro. - Recipe by Rick A. Martinez

BROCCOLI SALAD

This Southern-inspired recipe can be made up to 24 hours ahead, then stored in the fridge. While most traditional Southern broccoli salads feature a creamy mayonnaise dressing and are finished with bacon bits and grated cheese, this vegan riff offers a punchy vinegar mixture that serves as a quick pickling liquid for the onions and raisins before it's used as the final dressing.

Makes: 4 to 6 servings Total time: 20 minutes For the dressing:

½ cup golden or black raisins

(or dried cranberries) 1/2 red onion, finely sliced ¼ cup apple cider vinegar 4 teaspoons sugar Kosher salt (such as Diamond Crystal) 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil 1 tablespoon sesame oil For the salad: 11/2 pounds broccoli (about 2 heads) 1 apple (any variety), cored and cut into ½-inch cubes 2 scallions, white and green parts, finely sliced Kosher salt (such as Diamond Crystal) and black pepper 1/2 cup toasted sliced almonds, pepitas or sunflower seeds (see note) 1 cup red or green grapes

(optional), halved crosswise 1. Make the dressing: Place raisins and red onion in a small bowl. Add vinegar, sugar, ¼ teaspoon salt and 2 tablespoons of water, and toss to combine. Leave to pickle for 10 minutes while you prepare the rest of the ingredients.

2. Peel woody exterior from broccoli stalks and discard. Chop the stalks into 1/2-inch pieces. Chop the broccoli florets into 1/2-inch pieces. (The pieces do not have to be uniform or the same shape.) Place all the broccoli into a large mixing bowl.

3. After 10 minutes, finish the dressing by adding the olive oil and sesame oil to the bowl with the pickling raisins and red onion, and stir well to combine. Taste and season with more salt if needed. It should be tangy, slightly sweet and a little salty. 4. Add the raisin-and-onion

dressing to the broccoli along with the apple and scallions. Using two large spoons, toss well so that everything is well coated. Season with 1/2 teaspoon salt and black pepper to taste. Taste to make sure you are happy with the seasonings, adding more if needed.

5. When you are ready to eat, add almonds and grapes (if using), and gently toss. Serve at room temperature. Note: To toast almonds, lav them out in a single layer on a sheet pan lined with parchment, then roast at 300 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes until golden. Let cool completely before adding to the salad.

— Recipe by Hetty McKinnon

PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE

Makes: 8 to 12 servings Total time: 11/2 hours For the topping: 1/2 cup packed light or dark brown sugar ¼ cup unsalted butter, melted and still hot 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon (optional) 1 (20-ounce) can pineapple slices, drained 15 to 20 maraschino cherries, stems removed For the cake: 2 cups cake flour, sifted 1 teaspoon baking powder ½ teaspoon baking soda 1 teaspoon coarse kosher salt ½ cup unsalted butter, at room temperature 1 cup granulated sugar 2 large eggs, at room temperature ⅓ cup plain Greek yogurt, at

1 teaspoon pure vanilla ½ cup whole milk, at room

temperature

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. 2. Prepare the topping: In a medium bowl, whisk together sugar, butter, vanilla extract and cinnamon (if using). Pour the mixture into an ungreased 9-inch pie dish or round cake pan that's at least 2 inches deep.

3. Using a clean kitchen towel or a paper towel, blot any excess liquid off the fruit. Arrange the pineapple slices to your liking in a single layer on top of the brown sugarbutter mixture, covering the base of the pan, then add the cherries wherever there's a gap. Place the pan in the refrigerator while you prepare the rest of the cake.

4. Prepare the cake: In a medium bowl, whisk together the cake flour. baking powder, baking soda and salt: set aside.

5. Using an electric mixer or stand mixer fitted with a paddle or whisk attachment, beat the butter on high speed until creamy, about 1 minute. Add sugar and beat on high speed until creamed together, about 1 minute, scraping down the sides and the bottom of the bowl with a rubber spatula as needed. 6. On high speed, beat in the eggs, one at a time, until combined, then beat in the yogurt and vanilla extract, scraping the bowl as needed. 7. Pour the dry cake flour mixture into the wet ingredients. Turn the mixer to low speed and carefully pour in the milk. Beat on low speed just until all the ingredients are combined. Do not overmix. You may need to whisk it all by hand to make sure there are no lumps at the bottom of the bowl. The batter will be slightly thick. 8. Remove the pan from the refrigerator, Pour and spread



the cake batter evenly over the topping The cake is done when a

9. Bake for 40 to 55 minutes. toothpick inserted into the center comes out mostly clean. (A couple moist crumbs are OK.)

10. Remove cake from the oven and cool on a wire rack for 20 minutes. Run a knife along the edge to loosen, then invert the cake onto a plate. (Take care, as the pan may still be hot.) Serve warm or at room temperature.

This simple method makes perfect roasted cauliflower

By Meghan Splawn TheKitchn.com

room temperature

Roasted cauliflower is a favorite side dish in my house. The hot oven renders the cauliflower supple and golden brown, giving it both a caramel color and sweet, nutty flavor. The best part of

roasting cauliflower is that it requires almost zero hands-on cooking and can easily be flavored with warm spices or aromatic garlic.

Beyond a side dish (it's a natural partner to juicy pork chops, chicken thighs and mac and cheese), roasted cauliflower makes

an excellent addition to salads, pastas and stir fries. It also can be turned into a quick and creamy soup post-roasting. Some universal truths of roasting other cruciferous vegetables (or any vegetable, for that matter) ring true for cauliflower, too: Preheat your oven, use some kind of

oil or fat, avoid overcrowding the pan, and roast the vegetables cut-side down for maximum browning. These tips will give you the best roasted cauliflower every time.

1. Use high heat. The minimum temperature for roasting vegetables is 400 degrees. Give your oven

plenty of time to preheat to ensure that it's hot and ready for roasting.

2. Cut into small florets. Yes, you can roast a whole cauliflower or even cauliflower steaks, but to make this a super-speedy side, use bite-sized pieces that are roughly the size of halved florets.

3. Season in a bowl. Many cooks prefer to use their baking sheet for oiling and seasoning vegetables, but a bowl does a better job of ensuring well-seasoned and well-cooked vegetables. As much as I dislike dirtying another dish,

Turn to Cauliflower, Page 2





This spicy clam dip, a celebration of canned clams, takes some cues from rich, cheesy crab dip. **DAVID MALOSH/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

Clam dip, a 1950s staple, gets a hot and spicy revamp

By Melissa Clark The New York Times

Most of the time, canned clams are a fallback measure, something to reach for when you're craving spaghetti alle vongole or a steaming bowl of chowder, but fresh bivalves are just not in the cards.

Not so for clam dip, which was, quite specifically, made for canned clams.

The recipe's heyday was in the 1950s, so unsurprisingly, its main ingredi-

ents are two supermarket staples – cream cheese and canned clams — that are mixed together, then spiced up with a little cayenne, Worcestershire and lemon juice. Fresh clams would be as out of place as a pink fillet of albacore in a tuna melt. Clam dip's whole point is to celebrate the

convenience of the can. Most classic recipes are served cold or at room temperature. But, inspired by my outsize love of hot crab dip, I tried baking the clam and cream cheese

mixture just to see what would happen.

Very good things ensued. In another nod toward that crab dip, I threw in some grated cheese something you'd never see in a cold dip — for an appealing gooey-molten texture that helps it mound onto your potato chip. Another benefit of hot dip: The clams turn supple instead of being slightly chewy, a welcome change.

To zip things up, I added jalapeño, hot sauce and scallions to the mix. The

amounts given make a full-flavored dip that's not too fiery. Feel free to use more or pull it back a bit to suit your heat tolerance and

One untraditional and optional ingredient here is fish sauce. That heady amber liquid is the very essence of seafood and really bolsters the flavor of the dip. If you use it, you probably won't need to add salt, as it gives the dish saltiness with a bonus umami

Like all hot dips, this one

is at its best right out of the oven, and it stays nearly as good for another hour or so, after which it starts to fade.

If you want to work ahead, mix the dip up to three days in advance and store it in the fridge. It gets better as the flavors soften into one another. Then bake the dip as close to serving time as possible. And don't worry about its temperature too much: Chances of a dip this creamy, rich and savory lasting long enough to get cold are slim at best.

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SPICY CLAM DIP

Total time: 40 minutes Makes: 6 servings 8 ounces cream cheese, softened ½ cup sour cream or plain Greek yogurt 2 (6.5-ounce) cans whole clams (1 cup), coarsely chopped (save clam juice) 1/2 cup packaged, lowmoisture grated mozzarella 1/4 cup finely chopped parsley 3 tablespoons thinly sliced scallions, plus more for garnish

1 jalapeño, seeded (if desired) and finely chopped 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice 1 teaspoon Worcestershire

1 teaspoon hot sauce, plus more to taste 1 teaspoon fish sauce (optional) or clam juice, plus more to taste Salt, if needed, and freshly

ground black pepper ¼ cup grated Parmesan Potato chips, for serving 1. Heat oven to 425 degrees. In a large bowl, using a fork or together the softened cream

rubber spatula, stir and mash cheese and sour cream until 2. Add clams, mozzarella, parsley, scallions, jalapeño, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, hot sauce, fish sauce

or a teaspoon of reserved clam juice, and lots of black pepper, and stir until well combined. If the mixture seems thick, stir in a little more reserved clam juice. 3. Taste and adjust seasonings, if necessary. If you think it needs salt, add it lightly, or try adding a little more fish sauce or more clam juice instead. Dip can be made up to 3 days in advance and stored in the refrigerator before baking. **4. Transfer** mixture to shallow 1-quart ceramic baking dish or gratin dish. Sprinkle Parmesan on top and bake until golden brown and bubbling, about 30 to 35 minutes. Garnish with sliced scallions, and serve hot or warm with potato chips. **Note:** If you'd like to serve dip cold, skip mozzarella and Parmesan and mound mixture into bowl for serving.



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Cauliflower

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using a bowl to coat the cauliflower with olive oil and salt makes for a better finished product.

4. Place cut-side down. The cut side is nice and flat, making direct contact with the baking sheet and giving more surface area for delicious browning.

5. Roast until brown and delicious. You might be tempted to pull your cauliflower from the oven just when it is tender, but your patience will be rewarded if you wait until the cauliflower gets darker and more caramelized in the

Arguably the most arduous task of making roasted cauliflower is turning a head of cauliflower into

ROASTED CAULIFLOWER

Makes: 4 to 6 servings 1 medium head cauliflower (about 2 pounds), leaves removed 1 tablespoon oil, such as olive, canola or vegetable 1 teaspoon kosher salt 1. Arrange a rack in the middle of the oven and heat to 400 degrees. 2. Cut the head of cauliflower in half and then

bite-sized florets. Unlike broccoli, which has a long stalk that makes seeing the structure of its head easy enough to dismantle, cauliflower's florets circle a tight, dense core.

Remove the leaves: But don't throw the cauliflower leaves away. You can roast them. too!

Remove the core: Twooptions here. You can remove the core by cutting around it and pulling it out, and then cut it into quarters. Or you can quarter the head through the core from the very beginning, allowing you to see exactly where to cut to remove the core.

Remove the florets: From there, you'll have four large wedges of cauliflower to cut florets from. Lay each wedge on one of its flat sides and cut between the stem and the florets

into quarters through the core, so you have 4 large wedges of cauliflower. Lay each wedge on one of its flat sides and cut between the core and the florets to release the florets. The cauliflower is pretty tightly packed, so you'll need to pull apart some of the florets by hand. Repeat with the remaining 3 wedges. Halve any cauliflower florets that are larger than 2 inches. 3. Place the florets in a large

to release them. Cauliflower tends to be pretty tightly packed, so you'll need to pull apart some of the florets by hand. Halve any cauliflower florets that are larger than 2 inches for more even roasting and easier eating.

Chop the cauliflower into bite-sized pieces: Cut the head of cauliflower in half and then into quarters through the core, so you have four large wedges of cauliflower. Lay each wedge on one of its flat sides and cut between the core and the florets to release the florets. The cauliflower is pretty tightly packed, so you'll need to pull apart some of the florets by hand. Repeat with the remaining three wedges. Halve any cauliflower florets that are larger than 2 inches.

bowl, drizzle with the oil and sprinkle with the salt, and toss to combine.

4. Transfer the seasoned cauliflower florets onto a rimmed baking sheet and spread into an even layer. 5. Roast until golden brown and fork-tender, 25 to 30 minutes, flipping the cauliflower about halfway through.

6. Serve the cauliflower warm with additional salt and pepper, if desired.



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The surprising, saline whites of the Mâconnais

By Eric Asimov The New York Times

I remember my first encounter around 20 years ago with the oxidative savagnin wines of the Jura, the isolated region in eastern France where some wines are made under a veil of yeast - sous-voile, in French — like the flor of sherry, which gives them a sharp, nutty, briny flavor.

I adored them, even as a friend teased me for extolling what he called 'salty wines." Who could have known back then that salinity would become a much-admired quality in wine and a fashionable description today?

I was reminiscing about this as I was drinking through the Mâconnais wines that we've been examining over the past month. It struck me that each of these three very different wines showed pronounced salinity. They seemed salty.

We may come to the wines with certain questions in mind, like whether these Mâconnais wines speak more of the grape, chardonnay, or the place, the Mâcon region of southern Burgundy. But often the wines lead us in unanticipated directions. In this case, I was sidetracked by the salinity of these wines.

What might cause such a character? Is it something atmospheric? In the earth? A result of winemaking techniques?

As usual, I suggested three bottles for our study of the Mâconnais. They were: Domaine Frantz Chagnoleau Mâcon-Villages Clos Saint-Pancras 2020, Merlin Mâcon La Roche Vineuse 2020 and Bret Brothers Mâcon-Chardonnay Les Cravs 2020.

I was initially struck by the salinity of the Chagnoleau, a wine that was lean in texture compared with the other two bottles, and with earthy, floral and herbal



flavors underscored by that salty quality.

The salinity was there as well, although to a lesser extent, in the Merlin, which was richer and more straightforward than the Chagnoleau, with savory citrus and floral flavors. And it was present in the succulent, beautifully textured Les Crays from the Bret Brothers, with its stony flavors of citrus and melon.

Most wine writers who have used the term would say it's a more precise extension of the vaguer and much-debated quality "minerality," a word that is often seen as controversial.

Why? Because people either interpret it literally, as if minerals were sucked up from rocks and soil by the roots of a vine and deposited directly into the glass. Or they believe it is not specific enough.

As to the source of this characteristic, the only thing that appears clear, as a recent article on salinity in wine pointed out, is that merely measuring the amount of salts in a wine does not necessarily correlate with how that wine is perceived by drink-

The article suggests that salinity actually can be transmitted in a literal fashion, from soils with a high salt content through the roots of the vine and into grapes, and through leaves in vineyards near seas and oceans. It can also come from certain limestone soils that contain high amounts of calcium carbonate as well as concentrations of sodium, potassium or magnesium.

careful, conscientious producers may in their farming and winemaking use techniques intended to promote a savory result, unlocking the potential for That brings us back to

that each of these three

the original question: Do these wines speak more of the place or the grape?

For me, these are clearly wines of place rather than chardonnays. That is, the qualities of the Mâconnais, shaped by the winemakers' skills and intent, are transmitted to the wine through the medium of the chardonnay grape.

In the big picture, these wines are utterly different from chardonnays from places like California or Oregon, Australia or South America. They also differ, in more subtle ways, from other Burgundian chardonnays. They are not as singular as Chablis. But they have a warm quality very much their own that differentiates them from the chardonnays of the Côte de Beaune, the source of some of the greatest white Burgundies.

This does not mean that you or I, given a dozen chardonnays from around the world, would invariably be able to identify the point of origin when tasting them blind. Terroir is rarely that obvious. Such abilities come with years of detailed experience.

Many readers enjoyed the wines. Responses included much reminiscing about cheap, innocuous Mâcons of yesteryear, along with concern about the rising prices and acknowledgments of the rising level of quality.
"The prices will continue

to rise (and hopefully the quality) until the locals will no longer be able to afford them, as has already happened in the Côte de Beaune and with Pouilly Fuissé in the Mâconnais," wrote Corkpop of Reims, France.

Richard Claeys of Saratoga, California, drank the Chagnoleau. "This one is balanced, restrained and nuanced," he said.

Finally, Peter of Philadelphia posed a question that extended well beyond these Mâconnais wines. Both of the bottles he tried were labeled "Vieilles Vignes," French for old vines. He found in his research that wonderful qualities are often attributed to old vines and wondered whether that was true.

It is true, with some hype sprinkled in.

Most conscientious growers will tell you that vines behave differently when fully mature than they do when newly planted. Most vines will not produce a commercial crop until 3 or 4 years of age and take some time after that to establish their root systems.

Many growers liken vines 5 to 15 years old to awkward adolescents, producing too much fruit and, at the risk of anthropomorphizing, behaving impulsively. By 20 years or so, the vines will have become somewhat self-regulating, producing balanced crops and better able to defend themselves against maladies, drought and other ills.

As the vines get very old, after many decades, their yield diminishes. But many growers believe the quality is much better with these ancient vines and are worth the smaller yields.

The hype comes in because the terms "old vines," "vieilles vignes" and the like are unregulated. It can sometimes be hard to weigh the claim against the reality. And, not surprisingly, those who replant their vines when the yield begins to shrink deny any qualitative association with

Salinity, terroir, vine age - wine can be simple or complicated. It all depends on where your curiosity takes you.



Shrimp rougaille is spicy with chiles. GRETCHEN MCKAY/PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

Spicy shrimp stew has roots in island nation of Mauritius

By Gretchen McKay Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

No matter where they hail from, part of the appeal of skillet dishes is the fact they get dinner on the table in no time, usually with just a handful of ingredients.

This spicy shrimp dish has roots that reach all the way to the island nation of Mauritius, east

of Madagascar. A tasty blend of European, African, Chinese and Indian influences, Mauritius cuisine features a lot of fresh seafood. Much of it is enlivened with rich spices like ginger, garlic and thyme; chile also is a key player.

After a quick sear in the pan, shrimp is softly poached in a mildly spicy Creole tomato sauce

made from fresh tomatoes flavored with minced ginger, garlic, onion and cilantro stems.

It's served with even more cilantro – you have to be a fan — and a sprinkle of green scallions.

For more bite, season the shrimp with a little more cayenne, or add a pinch or two to the tomato sauce. Serve with steamed white

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SHRIMP ROUGAILLE Makes: 4 servings

½ teaspoon cayenne pepper, divided, or more to taste Kosher salt and ground black pepper 11/2 pounds extra-large shrimp, peeled, deveined and patted dry 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil 1 tablespoon finely minced fresh ginger 2 medium garlic cloves, minced 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 4 scallions, whites minced, greens sliced on the diagonal, reserved separately 1 bunch cilantro, stems minced, leaves roughly chopped, reserved separately 1 pound ripe tomatoes, cored and chopped Cooked rice, for serving 1. In small bowl, stir together ¼ teaspoon

cayenne and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Season the shrimp on both sides with the mixture. 2. In a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil until shimmering. Add half of the shrimp in a single layer and cook without

stirring until golden on the bottom, 45 to 60

seconds. Using a slotted spoon, transfer to plate. Brown the remaining shrimp in the oil remaining in the pan, then transfer to the plate with the first batch.

3. To the oil remaining in the skillet, add ginger, garlic, thyme, scallion whites, cilantro stems, remaining ½ teaspoon cayenne, ¼ teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. Cook over medium, stirring often, until fragrant, about 1 minute.

4. Add tomatoes and 1 cup water. Bring to a simmer, scraping up any browned bits, then cook, stirring occasionally and adjusting the heat as needed to maintain steady but gentle simmer, until the sauce is slightly thickened, about 5 minutes.

5. Add shrimp and accumulated juices.

Cook, stirring, until the shrimp are opaque throughout, 2 to 3 minutes. Remove the pan from the heat and stir in cilantro leaves. Taste and season with salt and pepper. 6. Transfer to a serving dish and sprinkle with scallion greens. Serve over cooked rice. - Recipe from "Milk Street: The World in a Skillet" by Christopher Kimball



Strawberry flambée over lemon ricotta-filled crepes is the kind of dessert that will give you a lifelong reputation as an exceptional cook. HILLARY LEVIN/ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH PHOTOS

Strawberry spectacular

Juicy red gems are the stars of the season

By Daniel Neman St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Right now, strawberries are their strawberriest.

Ripe, luscious and dripping with juice, strawberries are nature's way of welcoming us back to another bountiful season of planting and harvesting. They are like a little gift – an amuse bouche, if you will - to thank us for our patience during a long and barren winter.

And, as is so often the case at many fine restaurants, the amuse bouche turns out to be the best part of the meal.

Inspired by the little red nuggets of culinary gold, I set out to make four recipes in which strawberries were the star. They include an hors d'oeuvre, a baked good, a drink and a dessert.

Ordinarily, I would save the dessert for last, but I want to tell you about it first. It will leave you the toast of your family, friends and guests. It's that good.

It's also a bit of work, to be honest. But each part of the dish is easy to make, and you can do most of it the day before. And then. when you are ready to serve it, all you have left is to whip up a simple sauce. And then flambée it.

Strawberry Flambée Over Lemon Ricotta-Filled Crêpes is the kind of dessert that will give you a lifelong reputation as an exceptional cook. And all you have to do is master three simple parts.

First, you make the crepes, which are just a thin batter (flour, milk,



STRAWBERRY AGUA FRESCA

Makes: 10 servings 4 cups strawberries, sliced 1 cup granulated sugar 8 cups cold water, divided 1 lime, cut into 10 rounds for garnish, optional 10 mint sprigs for garnish, optional

1. In a medium bowl, mix together sliced strawberries, sugar and 1 cup of the water. Cover with plastic wrap and

refrigerate for 4 hours. 2. Pour strawberry mixture into a blender. Blend on high until smooth. Pour this mixture through a strainer set over a large mixing bowl. Discard the pulp and seeds. 3. Add the remaining 7 cups cold water to the pureed strawberries and mix well. Serve immediately over ice or refrigerate for several hours to chill. Garnish with lime rounds or mint leaves. - Recipe from allrecipes.com

eggs, melted butter) cooked briefly on a hot pan. Next, you stir together a filling for the crepes (ricotta cheese, sugar, vanilla and the zest of a lemon and an orange).

Finally, you make a sauce by heating together strawberries, sugar, orange juice, butter and Grand Marnier.

When the alcohol is hot, light a match to it and watch the flames dance in delight. It should be impressive, but in the version I made, the flames were a little hard to see. It doesn't matter. The taste

was amazing. If you prefer your straw-



BRUSCHETTA

Makes: 6 servings ½ cup balsamic vinegar 12 slices Italian or French 1 tablespoon olive oil 1 pound strawberries. washed and diced 2 teaspoons fresh thyme leaves, plus more for serving 1 cup goat cheese, room temperature Salt and pepper to taste 1. Heat vinegar in a small skillet or saucepan over

medium-low heat. Simmer

until reduced by about half,

easy, I recommend using

the fruit to make drinks.

Strawberry agua fresca

is just a sweetened straw-

berry-flavored water, and

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Goat Cheese Bruschetta is

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The reduced vinegar is

mixed with diced strawber-

ries and spooned on top of

it extra good because it

is syrupy and intense in

flavor.

that the balsamic vinegar

The secret to Strawberry

drink a tall glass of it.

more refreshing.

2. Prepare a grill, grill pan or

broiler for high heat. Brush bread slices with oil and set aside. Combine strawberries and thyme in a small bowl and set aside.

3. Grill or broil bread until browned, about 3 minutes per side (about 1 minute per side if broiled).

4. Spread goat cheese on toasted bread. Add salt, pepper and reduced vinegar to the strawberry mixture. Spoon over the goat cheesetopped bruschetta. Garnish with additional thyme.

- Recipe from allrecipes.com

lines that mimic the effect

of a grill when cooking on

berry dishes to be fast and tangy goat cheese, which has been spread on thin slices of grilled or broiled Hardly anything on Earth is French or Italian bread. I used a grill pan for mine; it's a skillet with raised

it is delightful. It doesn't A light sprinkling of take long to make, but you fresh thyme leaves is all the do have to let it sit for a few bruschetta needs to tie the It's the sort of drink that flavors together.

My final dish is a baked good that is actually low in calories. Healthy Strawberry Oatmeal Bars are made with butter, brown sugar and whole wheat flour — along with old-fashioned rolled oats and strawberries - and yet they only have about 100 calories apiece.

Until you add a vanilla glaze. The glaze is optional, but you're going to want to add it. Yum.

STRAWBERRY FLAMBÉE **OVER LEMON RICOTTA-FILLED CREPES**

Makes: 6 servings For the crepes:

11/2 cups milk 3 eggs 1 pinch salt 3 tablespoons butter. melted

11/2 cups all-purpose flour Cooking spray (or a little additional butter) For the filling:

2 cups ricotta cheese Grated zest of 1 lemon Grated zest of 1 orange 1 teaspoon vanilla extract ½ cup granulated sugar

For the sauce: ½ cup granulated sugar 3 cups strawberries, hulled ½ cup fresh orange juice 1/4 cup Grand Marnier 2 tablespoons butter

Note: This recipe makes 18 crepes in a 6-inch skillet. Using a 10-inch skillet will result in about 6 or 7 crepes. The process is the same, but use about 1/3 cup of batter for each crepe, and fill each one with ⅓ cup of

filling. 1. For the crepes: Put the milk and eggs into a blender and blend them thoroughly for just a few seconds. With the blender running at low speed, add the salt, melted butter and flour, in that order, through the feed hole in the blender lid. Blend until smooth. Refrigerate, covered, at least 30 minutes and up to 4 hours. 2. Heat a 6-inch nonstick skillet over low heat. Spray it with the cooking spray or grease with just a little butter. Pour a couple of tablespoons of batter in the center of the skillet and swirl the skillet around to make one thin, even layer of batter. The goal is not to brown the crepe but to cook it just enough to flip. 3. Once the crepe gets lacy around the edges and pulls away from the skillet, about 2 minutes, use a spatula to

second side for only about 30 seconds, or not at all. Transfer the crepe to a large plate and repeat with the remaining batter. Once the crepes are cooked, they can be stacked and wrapped in plastic wrap for future use. 4. For the filling: Put the ricotta, citrus zests, vanilla and sugar into a medium mixing bowl and stir until smooth. The filling may be covered in plastic and

refrigerated up to one day

flip the crepe over. Cook the

before serving. 5. Preheat oven to 200 degrees. Lav a crepe out on a clean surface. cooked-side down. Put 2 tablespoons of the filling in the center and smooth it out with the back of a spoon. Fold the crepe in half and then half again into a quarter. Repeat the filling and folding process with the remaining crepes and filling. Set the folded crepes on a cookie sheet and keep warm in the oven.

6. For the sauce: Heat a large sauté pan over high heat until warm. Add the sugar and strawberries and cook until the sugar starts to caramelize, about 5 minutes. Add the orange juice and Grand Marnier. Using a long-handled lighter, very carefully ignite the alcohol in the pan (stand back, as the flames may shoot up). Once the flames die out, stir in the butter.

7. To serve, arrange 3 crepes on each of 6 dessert plates and spoon some strawberry sauce over the crepes.

Recipe from "My New Orleans: The Cookbook" by John Besh

HEALTHY STRAWBERRY OATMEAL BARS

Makes: 16 servings 1 cup old-fashioned rolled

34 cup whole wheat flour or all-purpose flour ⅓ cup light brown sugar ¼ teaspoon ground ginger 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted 2 cups small-diced strawberries, divided 1 teaspoon cornstarch 1 tablespoon lemon juice 1 tablespoon granulated sugar, divided

For the optional vanilla glaze:

½ cup powdered sugar, sifted 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 tablespoon milk (any kind)

1. Place a rack in the center of your oven and preheat to 375 degrees. Line an 8-by-8-inch baking pan with parchment paper so that the paper overhangs two sides like handles.

2. In a medium bowl,

combine the oats, flour, brown sugar, ginger and salt. Pour in the melted butter and stir until it forms clumps and the dry ingredients are evenly moistened. Set aside ½ cup of the crumble mixture, then press the rest into an even layer in the bottom of the prepared pan.

3. Scatter half of the strawberries over the crust. Sprinkle the cornstarch evenly over the top, then sprinkle on the lemon juice and 1/2 tablespoon of the granulated sugar. Scatter on the remaining berries, then the remaining ½ tablespoon sugar. Sprinkle the reserved crumbs evenly over the top; you will have some fruit showing through.

4. Bake the bars for 35 to 40 minutes, until the fruit is bubbly and the crumb topping smells toasty and looks golden. Place the pan on a wire rack to cool completely.

5. When the bars are cool, prepare the glaze: In a medium bowl, briskly whisk together the powdered sugar, vanilla and milk until smooth. Add more milk if you want a thinner consistency. Using the parchment-paper handles, lift the bars from the pan. Drizzle with glaze, slice and serve.

— Recipe from wellplated.com



Healthy strawberry oatmeal bars are low in calories — until you add the vanilla glaze.